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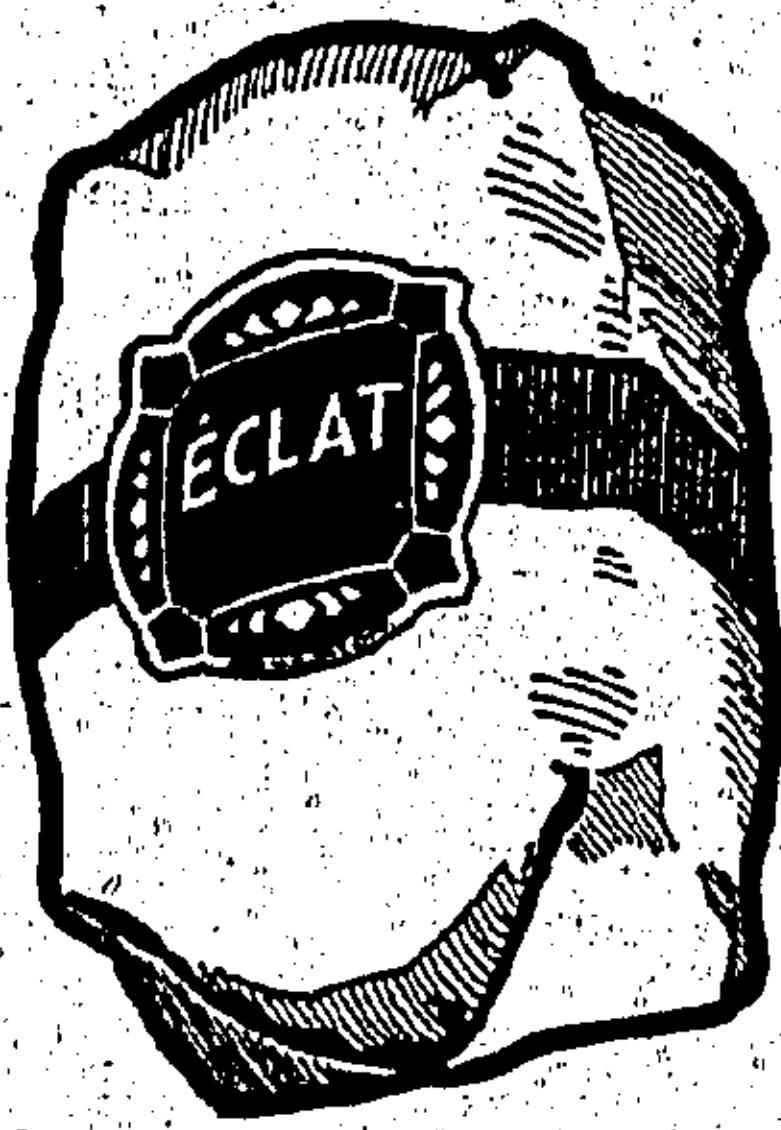
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**HONG KONG VOLUNTEER
DEFENCE CORPS.**

(ORDERS BY LT.-COL. F. G. BIRD, D.S.O.,
COMMANDANT.)

No. 320.

1.—Kirkpatrick Scheme.

Kiung Lee launch will leave
Murray Pier at 5.30 a.m. on Sunday,
March 11th 1928, for Kirkpatrick
Scheme. All interested are invited
to attend. Tiffin must be brought.

2.—Annual Inspection.

(a) The General Officer Command-
ing, South China Command, will in-
spect the Hong Kong Volunteer De-
fence Corps on Thursday, March
15th, 1928, at 6 p.m. on Murray
ground.

Every member of the Corps (Re-
serve Company included) is required
to attend.

(b) The Corps less Battery,
Mounted Infantry and Armoured
Car Companies will parade at Corps
Headquarters at 5.15 p.m.

One marker from each unit will
report to the Corps Sergeant-Major
on Murray Parade ground at 5.30
p.m. They must know the number
of files in their own units.

(c) Battery, Mounted Infantry
and Armoured Car Companies will
parade on Murray Parade ground at
5.15 p.m.

Dress: Drill tunics, shorts and
puttees, hosetops, helmets, belts,
rifles and bayonets. Medals will be
worn if in possession, if not, ribbons
1 inch long. Chin straps will be
worn under the chin.

The Battery as above, only no
rifles, no hosetops, bandoliers in-
stead of belts.

Mounted Infantry Company,
Motor Cyclists and Drivers as above,
only with bandoliers, no hosetops,
brooches instead of shorts.

Remainder of Armoured Car Com-
pany as above, with bandoliers.

Scottish Company will dress in the
kilt with giletties, khaki tunics,
sporrans, diced hosetops, flashes and
spats. Belts and frogs.

Officers' Dress: Khaki drill,
shorts, puttees, hosetops, sam-
browne belt, sword and sword knot,
helmets.

PRACTICE PARADE.

Practice Parade for the above in-
spection will take place at Volun-
teer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on
Monday, March 12th, 1928, in uni-
form.

Members are reminded that at-
tendance at the G.O.C.'s inspection is
one of the qualifications for
efficiency.

Arms will be drawn from Corps
Headquarters from Monday to Wed-
nesday, March 12th to 14th, between
9 a.m. and 12 noon or 2 and 4 p.m.,
or 5 and 6 p.m.

3.—Corps Rifle Meeting.

The dates and order of events will
be as follows:—

Sunday, April 8th, 1928.—Blake
Shield, Francis Cup, Jar Competition,
Plate Competition and Attack
Competition.

Monday, April 9th, 1928.—Corps
Championship and Tyro Competition,
Musketry Competition, Re-
serves Cup, and Lewis Gun Com-
petition.

Revolver Competition both days.
Entrance fees:—All individual
events \$1 per man per competition,
other events 50 cents per man, with
exception of Revolver Competition
(unlimited entries) for which the fee
is 50 cents per entry, made on the
range.

Intending competitors must send
in their names, accompanied by en-
trance fees, not later than Monday,
April 2nd, 1928, to the Hon. Secre-
tary, Rifle Meeting, Volunteer Head-
quarters.

4.—Musketry.

Sunday, March 11th, 1928.

The Field Section and Corps
Signals will fire Part I Table "T"
at Stonecutters Range on Sunday,
March 11th.

Range Officer: Lieut. R. S.
Logan.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at
9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at
9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform or multi optional,
but rifle, bayonet, pouches, braces
and belt must be worn.

Arms will be drawn from Corps
Headquarters to-day, between 9 a.m.
and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5
and 6 p.m.; and on Saturday, March
10th, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

5.—Engineers Company.

Field Section, Part I. will be
fired at Stonecutters on Sunday,
March 11th. Particulars see Order
No. 4.

6.—Signals.

Musketry Part I. will be fired at
Stonecutters Range on Sunday,
March 11th, vide Order No. 4.

7.—Infantry Company.

There will be no parade on Tuesday,
March 13th. All ranks must parade
at 5.30 p.m. to attend practice
parade on Monday, March 12th, and
the Annual Inspection on Thurs-
day, March 15th, vide Order No. 2.

8.—Scottish Company.

Monday, March 12th, at 5.30 p.m.
All Platoons will parade at Corps
Headquarters for practice parade
for annual inspection. Dress: Re-
view Order, i.e. Giletties, khaki
tunic, kilt, sporran, diced hose-
tops, flashes, spats, rifle, bayonet,
belt and frog. Medals will be worn.
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**GREEN ISLAND CEMENT
COMPANY.**

DIRECTORS' REPORT.

The report of the Directors of the
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.,
for presentation to the shareholders
at the annual meeting of the Com-
pany on Wednesday, March 21st,
states:

The profit for the year is
\$121,523.39, and after deducting the
sum brought forward from the
previous year \$25,582.05, the
balance to be dealt with is
\$95,941.34.

It is recommended that \$20,000
should be applied to reserve for
probable losses on sales of bricks,
pipes, etc., at Deep Water Bay
Works and that \$71,941.34 should
be carried to next year's account.

During the year Mr. J. H.
Taggart was invited to a seat on
the board and his appointment
requires confirmation. Messrs. C.
A. de Ros and W. T. de Ros retire,
but being eligible offer themselves
for re-election.

The accounts have been audited
by Messrs. Linshead & Davis and
Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Mat-
thews, Chartered Accountants, who
are eligible for re-appointment.

**HONG KONG & WHAMPOA
DOCK CO.**

DIRECTOR'S REPORT.

The annual meeting of the share-
holders of the Hong Kong & Wham-
poa Dock Co., Ltd., will be held
in the Company's Town Office on
Tuesday, March 20th at noon.

The report to be presented states:
As shown by the Profit and Loss
Account, the gross profit on work-
ing for the year ending 31st Decem-
ber, 1927, is \$700,564.33.

After deducting Interest, Rates,
Crown Rent, Insurance, Directors'
and Auditors' Fees and allowing
the sum of \$62,017.81 for deprecia-
tion on Buildings and Plant, there
remains at end of year, to which must
be added the amount brought forward
from last year \$83,614.11, making
the amount at credit of Profit and
Loss account at 31st December, 1927
\$202,051.10. It is recommended
that this should be carried forward
to next year.

The Hon. Mr. M. M. Bernard
and Mr. H. P. White, Directors of
the Company, retire by rotation,
and offer themselves for re-election.
The Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard
has been appointed Chairman for
the year 1928.

The accounts have been audited
by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Mat-
thews and Messrs. Percy Smith,
Seth & Fleming who retire and
offer themselves for re-election.

Thursday, March 15th. Annual
Inspection vide Order No. 2.

Sunday, March 18th. Triangular
Shoot arranged by Mr. R. M. Dyer
between 2nd Battn. Scots Guards,
2nd Battn. K.O.S.B., and Scottish
Company at Stonecutters.

Sunday, April 1st, 1928. Inter-
Platoon Shoot for "Dyer" Cup.

9.—Strength.

The following recruit is taken on
the strength on March 5th, 1928, and
posted to No. 11 Platoon (Portu-
guese Company)—No. 1306 Pte. A.
L. Mills.

10.—Leave.

The following are granted leave of
absence from the Corps:—

No. 379 Pte. E. Docherty, No. 6
Platoon, from February 29th, 1928,
to February 27th, 1929.

No. 1023 Pte. F. S. Gamley, M.I.
Co., from March 17th, 1928, to March
16th, 1929.

No. 1270 Gnr. A. W. H. Maynard,
Battery, from March 31st to De-
cember 31st, 1928.

No. 488 Sgt. D. G. Bruce, A.C.
Co., from March 1st to December
31st, 1928.

No. 1207 Bandman A. M. Souza,
Corps Band, from March 5th to
May 4th, 1928.

11.—Resignations.

The following are permitted to
resign from the Corps:—

No. 721 Spr. A. Spary, Engineer
Co., as from March 1st, 1928.

No. 790 Pte. F. A. Kemp, A.C.
Co., as from March 1st, 1928.

No. 1011 Pte. F. K. Garton, A.C.
Co., as from March 1st, 1928.

No. 688 Lce. Corp. A. Brailford,
Corps Signals, as from March 1st,
1928.

No. 722 Cpl. E. D. Black, A.C.
Co., as from February 22nd, 1928.

No. 981 Pte. J. Reidy, Reserve
Co., as from January 20th, 1928.

No. 187 Pte. L. Jack, No. 7
Platoon, as from March 7th, 1928.

No. 424 Pte. D. McCallum, A.C.
Co., as from March 10th, 1928.

No. 859 Pte. B. J. Vickers, A.C.
Co., as from March 1st, 1928.

Having purchased discharge, as
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Milan 92.23

Stockholm 18.18

Oslo 18.32

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TO SAVE MOTHER'S HONOUR.

LORD HEWART AND JURY LUCK.

There was a remarkable scene at the Old Bailey when the jury returned a verdict of Not Guilty in the case of William Rust, aged 20, a warehouseman, who was charged with the murder of his father by cutting his throat.

The verdict was greeted with loud applause, and the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Hewart, exclaimed: "Clear the court, clear the gallery!"

Rust was further charged with murdering his two young brothers by similar means. He pleaded not guilty, and the Crown offering no evidence against him, he was formally found not guilty.

Lord Hewart, in discharging him, said: "You are exceedingly fortunate in your jury."

Rust was sobbing convulsively as he went from the court into the central hall. Friends rushed up to shake him by the hand, and to one of them he exclaimed: "Thank God that is all over." He said that he was going away to friends in the south of England.

Why He "Confessed."

Rust's father and two brothers were found in their home at Stepney, E., with their throats cut, and Rust went to the police station and "confessed" to the crime, giving a description as to how he did the deed. He now set up the defence that he pretended that he committed the crime to save a family scandal.

Rust, giving evidence, said that on December 1st his father told him that his mother had been unfaithful to him with a man named "Frensham." His father threatened to do Frensham in. He (Rust) then went out.

When I got back, he continued, I saw my father in the kitchen cutting his throat. I snatched a razor from his hand and he fell to the floor. I tried to stop the bleeding, and to get him on to the bed. I then saw my two brothers dead on the bed.

I was too dazed and upset to know what I did next. I knew my father and brothers were beyond help, so I locked the bedroom door. I then went out to see Frensham, but I met my brother Charlie, found my sister, and we all went to the police station. On the way I said to my sister, "I have not the pluck, but I will take the blame." I told the police at the station I had killed my father and brothers.

Taking The Blame.

Mr. Valetta, defending: Did you cut your father's throat that night?—No.

Mr. Percival Clarke, prosecuting: Why did you tell the police you had?—You have heard how things were at home, and I didn't want it to come out about mother and Frensham, so I said I did it.

But the first thing you said to the police was, "My mother has been carrying on with another man."—In the excitement of the moment the very thing I wanted to keep back I brought out.

Why didn't you go on and say that your father cut his own throat?—I thought if I took the blame nothing would be said and that unnecessary details about the scandal would not come out in court.

When you went to look for Frensham, had you a knife and razor with you?—Yes.

Did you think your mother's honour should be revenged by your killing Frensham?—Not so far as that. I certainly intended to "bash" him.

Dr. Hogan, medical officer to the Stepney Guardians, said the dead man had suffered from asthma. He knew more than one case where a man so suffering had committed suicide.

Lord Hewart: Do you say that people suffering from asthma are prone to suicide?—I do not go so far as that.

Lord Hewart: People with red hair commit suicide. I believe there was a woman who committed suicide because she had a disfigurement for her drawing-room furniture. (Laughter.)

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GENERAL DYER'S HONOUR.

SIR M. O'DWYER DEFENDS IT.

AMRITSAR RIOT DISCLOSURES.

Further light on the rising at Amritsar (Punjab, Northern India) in April 1919 and the measures taken to cope with it by the late Brigadier-General R. E. H. Dyer has been provided by Sir Michael O'Dwyer, who was Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab at the time.

It will be remembered that General Dyer ordered his troops to fire on a crowd of 5,000 Indians in an enclosed space outside Amritsar. About 350 persons were killed and more than a thousand wounded. The shooting gave rise to a great controversy. A year later the majority and minority reports of Lord Hunter's Committee of Enquiry into the disturbances condemned, in varying degrees, General Dyer's action. The general was removed from his employment in India.

In 1924 Sir Michael O'Dwyer brought a libel action in London against Sir C. Sankaran Nair, a former member of the Viceroy's Council, who was alleged to have suggested that Sir Michael had employed methods of terrorism in the Punjab.

In giving judgment for Sir Michael, Mr. Justice McCardie expressed the view that General Dyer, under grave and exceptional circumstances, had acted rightly, and that he was wrongly punished by the Secretary for India.

Only In Mob's Hands.

Sir Michael, who spoke at the annual dinner of the Old Comrades' Association of the 25th London Regiment at Harrods Restaurant, said:

We knew that, unless sternly and promptly repressed, what had happened in Amritsar would spread to every station in the north of India. Measures were taken. They were only waiting to hear news of what had happened in Amritsar to play the same game elsewhere.

A mob of over 20,000 people sallied forth from Lahore city to try to do the same thing there. Prompt measures were also taken at Lahore. Troops arrived on the scene, and we were able to hold our own.

Then there came the question of restoring order in Amritsar. The city of 200,000 people was then in the hands of a rebellious mob. Fortunately, under Major-General Sir William Beynon's able direction, Brigadier-General Dyer promptly arrived from Jalandhar—(applause)—bringing with him your battalion to the scene of carnage.

He had to take drastic measures, measures that no one regretted more than himself, but he took those measures unflinchingly, like a man, and he saved the situation. (Applause.)

General's Honour.

Major-General Sir William Beynon, who was Divisional Commander, 18th Indian Division, at the time of the disturbances, said:

I should like to recall to your memory that, before his death, General Dyer had been reinstated and his honour proclaimed by a British judge and a British jury (applause)—and the man who was chiefly responsible for that was Sir Michael O'Dwyer.

Dr. Oxley, medical officer of the Poplar Guardians, said he thought it most likely that the wound was inflicted by the man himself.

Judge And Counsel.

Lord Hewart, in summing up, said:

Counsel for the defence has thought it compatible with his duty, not once or twice but five times, in his closing speech for the prisoner, to convey to your minds that the punishment in a case of murder is capital punishment. He referred to the remark which I made in another court on the view which the law must take of the sanctity of human life, and he invited you in this case to have regard for human life in the sense of not sacrificing this human life.

These observations were most improper. They could have no legitimate purpose, and I am grieved that I should have heard a member of the English Bar make them. You have nothing whatever to do with the punishment which may or may not follow your verdict.

The jury were absent for half an hour in deciding on their verdict.

BOY'S I.O.U.S. TO WOMAN.

GIFTS WHEN IN GERMAN ARMY.

HER ESCAPE FROM A SPY'S DEATH.

A story of wealth, divorce, and benevolence was heard in the Second Division of the Anglo-German Mixed Arbitral Tribunal when Mrs. Frederic Helen Wilms, of Spickemstrasse, Cologne—referred to as the divorced wife of Mr. Lewis Henry Wilms, a merchant of Halifax, Yorkshire—claimed from Hugo Daniel, a German national, 4,000 marks (about £150); money lent on an I.O.U.

I.O.U.s Destroyed.

Mrs. Wilms said that she was married in Berlin. Before the war and after her divorce she lived with her son when he was in England, and afterwards in Germany.

The money which she lent at various times to Daniel was lent on I.O.U. Daniel was an apprentice boy in a women's clothing establishment in Germany, and his parents were very poor. The loans were given to him because he confessed to her that he had taken money from his employers and wished to replace it.

Her luggage was left at his parents' house, and she believed that they broke into it and destroyed the I.O.U.s. She did not believe Daniel himself would have done it.

She did not tell the German authorities that she was a German national until they were going to shoot her as a British spy, and then she said so in self-defence. She was really half German, but her mother was Scottish.

A Frail Youth.

She had a flat at Cologne after the British occupation, a military billet having been placed at her disposal by the authority of a Colonel Turner.

Daniel was a frail, small youth when she lent him the money. He afterwards went into the German army. She occasionally sent him money then. She also started him in business to give him a chance of repaying her.

There were other important documents left at Daniel's house, for she had lent quite a lot of money. She also started a newspaper in Berlin.

The tribunal held that Mrs. Wilms was British and awarded her £16 11s. with interest at 5 per cent. and 25 costs.

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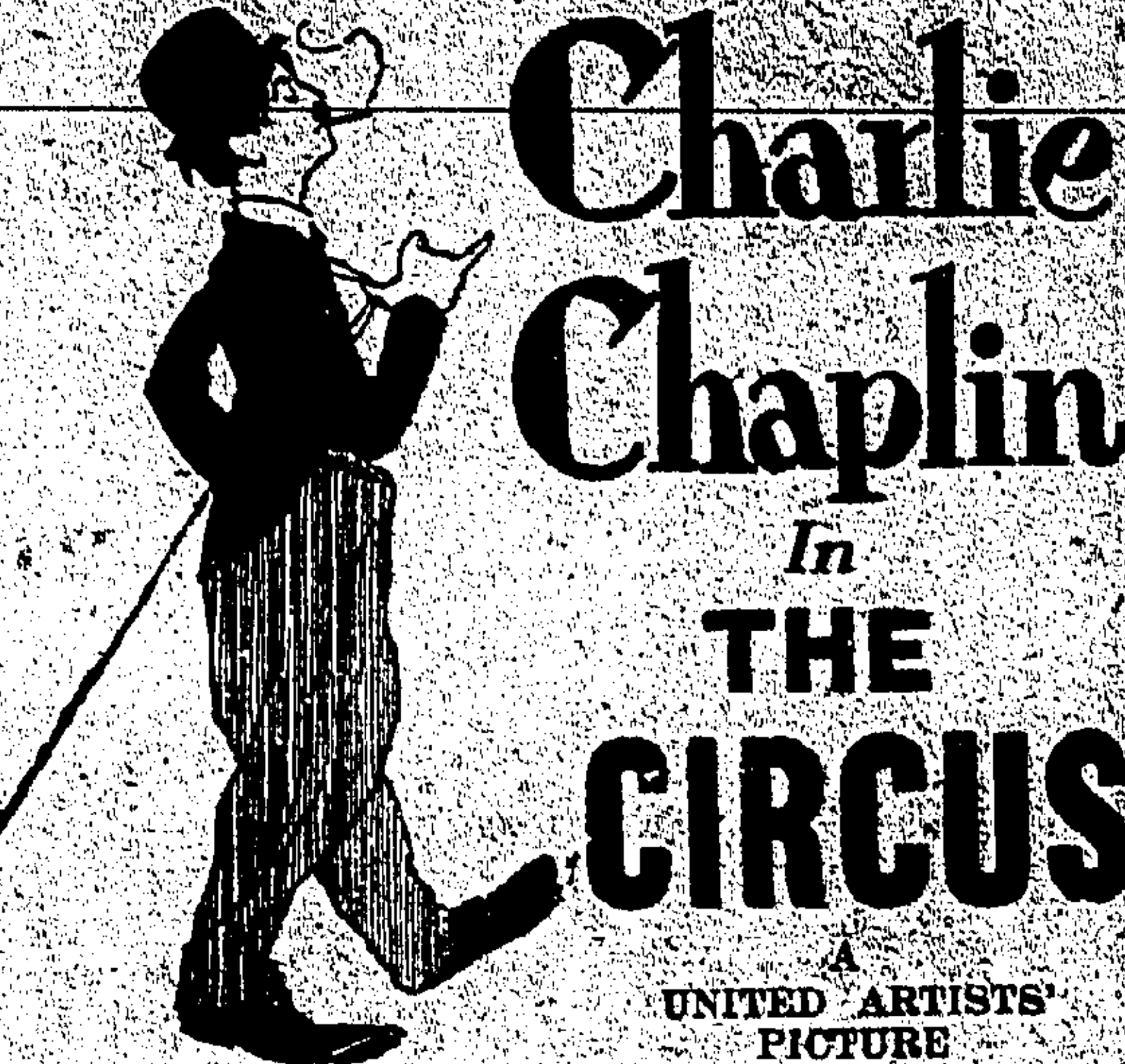
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MRS. E. RALPHS SPEAKS OF EIGHT YEARS' PROGRESS.

HEADMASTER'S SATISFACTORY REPORT.

A very successful function was held yesterday at the Central British School, Kowloon.

Scouts and Guides drawn up to attention lined the steps of approach and presented a smart appearance, with the Prince of Wales' banner proudly displayed.

On the platform were Mr. and Mrs. E. Ralphs, Mr. R. E. Wood, the Director of Education, Mrs. B. Wyke, Mr. W. S. Bailey and the Reverend J. H. Johnston. Mrs. Ralphs presented the awards and made a very gracious speech of appreciation of the school and the excellent record it has maintained.

MRS. RALPHS' APPRECIATION OF WORK DONE.

Mrs. Ralphs, after distributing the many prizes and certificates, spoke to the pupils. It was, she said, a very great pleasure to revisit the school after an interval of eight years. She remarked that not a single member of the present staff had then been there.

An immense advance had been made since the last time she was in the school, and the excellent results obtained in public examinations during the past year were a testimony to the good work done by both teachers and pupils.

The Spirit of The School.

If "stone walls do not a prison make," Mrs. Ralphs said, "neither do they make a school. It is the spirit of the school which matters and the spirit of this school is duty first, duty last." It was the speaker continued, the duty of each generation to gather up what had been gained in the past, and it was clear that that had been done in this school during the past decade under Mr. Nightingale and his assistants. "I am sure," she added, "that this school is second to none in the Empire."

The Advantages Of Travel.

Mrs. Ralphs then spoke a few words on the advantages of travel and the special privileges which the pupils of this Colony enjoyed, in having already seen so much of the world. "Only hard work and high endeavour could have resulted in so splendid a list of successes, and I wish you even more success in the future if that be possible," she said in conclusion.

A bouquet of roses was presented to Mrs. Ralphs by one of the smallest pupils; and the announcement that she had asked for a holiday for the school to-day, which had been granted, in consideration of the excellent work done, brought three rousing cheers for the lady who had so graciously presented the awards. Cheers for the Headmaster, the Staff and the School, followed by the singing of the National Anthem brought the proceedings to a close.

HEADMASTER'S REPORT.

The Headmaster's Report stated *inter alia*:

Attendance.

The School was opened on 194 days. The maximum enrolment was 180-173 in 1926-27; the average attendance during the whole year being 130-131 in 1927-28. The highest monthly average was 140 in November, the lowest 118.5 in June.

The attendance was generally good in spite of an epidemic of measles in May and June.

There were many changes in the staff during the year. Mrs. Nightingale and I left on Home leave in March, returning in November; and during this period the School was very ably governed by our Second Master, Rev. G. E. B. Updell, whose ever willing and ready co-operation has been invaluable to me.

Miss Hall also left on Home leave in February. Mr. Mason in March, and Miss Brown in June. Mr. Beedow, Miss Peyton, Miss Watts, Mrs. Updell, Mrs. Bosc and Mrs. Griggs joined the staff, and Miss Beattie returned from leave in April.

Girl Guides.

The School Company was successful in the Rally this year, again winning the Prince of Wales' Banner. The company is now in charge of Miss Beattie as Captain, and Miss Owen Hughes as Second in Command.

University Examinations.

The Central British School has never had better results than those obtained this year in both the Matriculation and the Local Senior and Junior Examination of the University of Hong Kong. In Class I, all were successful, all winning distinctions in at least one subject. Two candidates were awarded Matriculation Honours; two passed the Matriculation Examination, two passed the Senior Local Examination, one gaining honours. They won ten distinctions and both the King Edward VII. Scholarship and the Government Education Scholarship.

for Girls, tenable at Hong Kong University, the former won for the first time by C.B.S., who this year headed the list.

T. O. Payne: Matriculation Honours, King Edward VII. Scholarship (first on the list), distinction in English, mathematics and physics.

S. R. Whitley: Matriculation Honours, Education Scholarship at Hong Kong University, the Montagu French Prize, distinction in English and history.

L. A. Easterbrook: Matriculation Pass Certificate, distinction in English.

B. J. Vickars: Matriculation Pass Certificate, distinction in English.

L. Haynes: Senior Local Honours, qualifying for matriculation, distinction in English and arithmetic.

P. Hynes: Senior Local Pass Certificate, distinction in domestic science.

In Class 2 the results of the Junior Local Examination were also very satisfactory, 13 out of 20 entered for this examination passing, that is 65 per cent. These results were:

H. W. Brown: distinction in English; D. C. A. Hynes, distinction in English; A. Ursell, distinction in English and Biblical knowledge; A. C. Maycock, pass; R. H. A. Woodley, distinction in English and Biblical knowledge; J. A. Black, distinction in English and music; B. Budden, distinction in English and arithmetic; E. A. Hosford, Montagu French Prize (Junior); and distinction in arithmetic; W. Reed, distinction in arithmetic; M. L. W. Bryson, pass; D. O. Dransfield, pass; R. L. McCubbin, pass; and the "J. R. M. Smith" Scholarship; E. B. Moses, pass.

This Class won 19 distinctions. It is very gratifying to me to be able to report the successes gained in English showing, as they do, that we are making the study of English a very important part of our work here.

We endeavour to give our boys and girls a systematic training in the use of books.

Royal Drawing Society.

At the annual examination in the various divisions held in June very good results were obtained. Three candidates, G. Arnold, M. Whitley and R. Woodley, having won honours in all divisions, were awarded "Triple Certificates." G. Arnold gaining the Overseas Prize in Division VI, the other three prizes in this division being won by schools in Canada and South Africa.

The general report for candidates entered was "a good and well sustained result."

Other prize winners, in addition to those already mentioned, include:—Matriculation: T. O. Payne, S. R. Whitley, L. A. Easterbrook, B. J. Vickars, Senior Local: E. L. Haynes, P. C. Hynes, Junior Local: H. W. Brown, D. A. Hynes, A. C. Maycock, A. Ursell, R. H. A. Woodley, J. A. Black, M. L. W. Bryson, B. Budden, D. O. Dransfield, E. A. Hosford, Z. McCubbin, E. Moses, W. Reed, Montagu French Prize (Senior): S. R. Whitley; Montagu French Prize (Junior): E. A. Hosford.

Government Scholarships: Class I, E. L. Haynes; Class 2, R. Woodley; Class 3A, V. Levkovitch; Class 3B, I. Bickford; Class 4, F. Stokess; Class 5A, M. Clarke; Class 5B, I. Black; Class 6, E. Green.

Garibson School Scholarships: F. Anslow, D. Booker, L. Read.

Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Scholarships: D. Dixon.

"J. R. M. Smith" Scholarship: E. L. McCubbin.

Headmaster's Prize: S. R. Whitley.

Wills' Composition Prize: L. Spooner.

Navy League Prize: R. Woodley.

Ezra Abraham Prize for Mathematics: T. O. Payne.

War Memorial Prize: T. O. Payne.

Historical Prize (presented by Mr. H. B. L. Dowling): E. A. Hosford.

Scripture Prize (presented by Rev. J. H. Johnston): A. Ursell.

Literature Prize (presented by Rev. J. H. Johnston): V. Levkovitch.

Prize for Mathematics (presented by Mr. G. G. Wood): B. Budden and T. Ingram.

Drawing Prize (presented by Messrs. Der A. Wing): M. L. W. Bryson.

Nature Study and Physics (presented by Messrs. Brewer & Co.): I. Woodley.

A PAIR OF BOOTS.

THE CIRCUS AT THE QUEEN'S.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

A pair of old boots, battered misshapen and flat at heel have earned for their weaver millions of dollars. They are the trade mark of the greatest comedian the screen has produced, Charlie Chaplin.

Those old boots, which, incidentally, are made by a famous shoemaker and cost as much as the most perfectly cut footwear, have carried their wearer into the far corners of the earth to set humanity laughing. "Charlie," "Charlot," as he is known in France, is loved wherever hearts are young. His feet are really small and well made, but the huge shoes make them grotesque and pathetic, and give him that inimitable waddling gait which has done so much to endear him to the public.

The boots play a large part in "The Circus," Chaplin's latest comedy which is showing at the Queen's for the last two days to-day and to-morrow. The film has been very popular, and if you have not yet seen it, you are advised to book your seats at once, as last minute booking may result in disappointment.

"DRUSILLA WITH A MILLION."

AN UNUSUAL FILM AT THE "WORLD."

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

"Drusilla with a Million" has been called an unusual film, which is true in one aspect, that the best and title role is that of an old lady, really beautifully played by Mary Carr. But much of the film is potted D. W. Griffith. Miss Priscilla Bonner has a typical Lillian Gish part which was so successful in "Intolerance" that it is made use of whenever possible. For "Sally Mary" the orphanage waif leaves her gentleman husband for his own good, has her baby in poverty and loneliness and has it taken from her by interference of the charitable wealthy.

The court scene, which is extraordinarily good though perhaps a trifle long, is one of those amazing exposures of American legal methods which one can only suppose to be common in America; as to be accepted as a matter of course; otherwise one wonders why the film industry, which has plenty of correct patriotism, should take the pains to wash domestic linen in public.

Drusilla is, however, the heroine. She is a most charming old lady and her acting is perfectly natural. She inherits a million and decides to turn her beautiful home into a refuge for orphaned or unwanted babies. The mothers of Hollywood must be very trusting for many of these small actors are but a few months old; others in the toddling age are quite delightful. So many babies have never been collected together for one picture before, and probably the directors hope they never will again, for there were a good many tears wept over the strange experience.

"Drusilla with a Million" is a sentimental picture and one which would not, we think, appeal to men, unless they were fathers of young families; but nearly every woman will enjoy it, weep over it, and be as charmed as Drusilla was with her babies.

RUBBER MARKET.

DIVIDENDS AND QUOTATIONS.

Messrs. Carrol Bros. write:—The Rubber market has again been erratic, and remains in a somewhat nervous condition. It would appear that rumours of the Dutch coming in to restriction were responsible for some of the rises experienced, but "shorts" covering likewise caused temporary strengthening of the market.

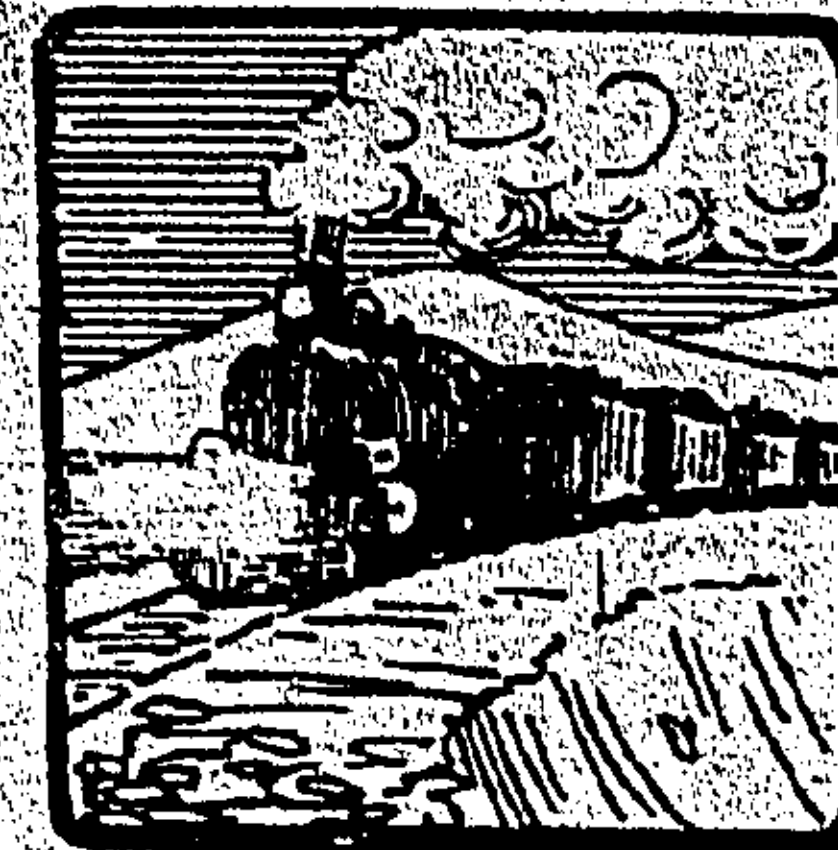
It can hardly be denied that a big shift movement will occur one way or the other when the findings of the Committee are disclosed, and the opinion is reflected in the growing interest in options.

Towards the close of last week a large number of buyers for cheap rubber shares appeared on the market, with, however, very few declared sellers at present quotations. The latest quotations and dividends are appended:

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The HONG KONG WEEKLY PRESS

published to-day contains personal interviews with both the Marshal and Canton's Foreign Minister, a full account of all functions attended by the visitors, and the pronouncements made by the guests and their hosts.

The news from Canton shows a steady recovery in the currency, and that the Government is taking practical measures to restore order and inaugurate a period of peaceful development in the province of Kwangtung.

On the Northern front there is a lull, and though the prospect of peace is not considered very favourable a certain amount of negotiation appears to be in progress.

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WOMEN'S DAY IN CANTON.

EQUALITY WITH MEN DEMANDED.

COMMUNISM DENOUNCED.

CHINESE WOMEN IN LINE WITH WESTERN SISTERS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Yesterday was observed in Canton as Women's Day and demonstrations were held in favour of women's suffrage and other rights for Chinese women. A large gathering of women assembled at the Sun Yat Sen University at noon and a number of ladies, mostly school teachers, addressed the meeting.

The women marched into the university campus in groups each representing some institution or organization. Practically every participant carried a paper banner upon which various slogans were written. Most of these women belonged to the working class; but women students from various schools also took part in the meeting.

The campus entrance was decorated with flags of many nations giving quite a cosmopolitan atmosphere to the scene. A temporary platform was erected in the centre of the campus, on which the Committee in Charge and the speakers were seated. On the walls of the University and on the telegraph poles immediately outside were posted paper banners bearing such slogans as: "Protect and Educate the Women," "Men and Women are all Equal," "Women must all participate in the National Revolution," "Annihilate the Chinese Communist Party."

Pamphlets and handbills setting forth the origin, development and significance of the International Women's Day were distributed by the Executive Committee. In China, these pamphlets state, the movement has unfortunately been under the control of Communists. Hence no satisfactory result has been obtained. The pamphlets stress the need of the continuation of the liberation movement and the importance of freedom from Communist control.

THE SPEECHES.

The speakers recalled that the movement for freedom for women all over the world began in 1910, and in that year a congress of women from different parts of Europe and America met in Denmark on March 8th, their object being to demand greater protection for womanhood and votes for women. In a subsequent gathering at Venice, more than 80,000 working girls and women participated.

The women of Canton, they said, would join their sisters in other parts of the world to procure greater freedom to women. The Chinese women had to suffer the evils due to the militarism and imperialism which were now dominating the land, and they were taking the March 8th anniversary as an opportunity to call the attention of the women of China to their duty and responsibility as fellow citizens with men of the Republic.

In order to be equal with men, they must possess the same intellectual and economic ability as men, and politically they must adhere to the Three People's Principles of the late Dr. Sun Yat sen. Every possible help should be given to the women working on farms and in factories.

After the meeting, a number of school girls formed a procession and paraded the streets.

The celebrations were concluded last evening with an elaborate entertainment given under the direction of its Executive Committee at the educational auditorium in Kiu In Alley. The entertainment consisted of two theatrical shows and various games.

WHAMPOA MILITARY ACADEMY.

NANKING'S POVERTY DELAYS TRANSFERENCE.

WOUNDED MEN REACH CANTON FROM SWATOW.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The Whampoa Military Academy was all ready to move to Nanking. Everything has been prepared and a transport has been chartered to ship the cadets and the college equipment to the ancient capital of China. But yesterday, to everyone's surprise, the Academy suddenly received a telegram from its head, General Chiang Kai Shek, saying that the contemplated removal had had to be postponed, owing to the shortage of funds at Nanking. But later Marshal Li Tui Hsin received a telegram from Mr. Liu Kwang, who is at Nanking, instructing the cadets to proceed on their voyage. Although funds are very short, according to Mr. Liu, accommodation can be provided without much hardship. Owing to these contradictory telegrams, however, the transport has remained at anchor near Ling Far Hill and will not proceed until further instructions have been received from General Chiang.

Three hundred wounded soldiers were brought back to Canton from Swatow yesterday on board the *ss. An Lee*, of which the Hing Chung Hong is the local agent. Some 4,000 men who have been fighting the "Reds" in Hainan are expected to return to Canton shortly and a steamer is to be chartered to bring them back to the City.

A special pavilion over the official landing place and a large arch of the kind which only Chinese matchless builders can erect have been completed at Tientszenmiao, Canton, in honour of the visit of the Governor of Hong Kong who is expected this morning. Yesterday several leading Chinese newspapers, and some members of the Hong Kong Governor's staff arrived at Canton for the functions of the next two days.

During the absence of General Tang Yin Hua, General Tang Sai Yan will be Acting Commissioner of Police of Canton City.

The Kwangtung Section of the Canton-Hankow Railroad is to be managed by a commission, instead of by a managing director. Among the four commissioners recently appointed is Mr. K. Y. Wu, formerly assistant general manager of the China Commercial Company of Hong Kong. Mr. Wu was formerly Commissioner of Public Lands of the Canton Municipality.

The 11th Canton Athletic Meeting will take place during the latter part of April. The arrangements are being made by the Chinese National Amateur Athletic Federation.

THE DEAN'S ADDRESS ON THE BIBLE.

THE DOCTRINE OF "VERBAL INSPIRATION" AND ITS DANGERS.

The Dean of Hong Kong (the Very Rev. A. Swann, M.A., D.S.C.) gave a very interesting address in the Cathedral Hall yesterday morning on "The Meaning of the Bible" to the Women's Guild.

It was explained that in the past the Church had held the doctrine of "verbal inspiration," which meant that every statement in the Old Testament was literally true and binding upon mankind.

This view had been much modified in the course of the last 100 years largely owing to the analytical study of the Bible known as the "Higher Criticism." They had now a duty to abandon the old method of taking a theory and squeezing the facts into it for the more scientific one of letting the facts dictate the theories. Under this process they had to abandon this doctrine.

The Old Testament was a library of writings and not a book, and represented a nation's experience of God, recorded by the people of Israel slowly as they formed their own idea of God.

Such very difficult writings as the Book of Job and the story of Abraham's offer of Isaac as a sacrifice at God's command led to many difficulties and confusions. There was the classic story of the little girl who said that she liked Jesus Christ but did not like God. That was a summary of many peoples' difficulties, which had their origin in the acceptance of "verbal inspiration."

The Dean will pursue this subject during further meetings of the Guild.

FAREWELL TO COL. RUSSELL-BROWN.

E.A.S.M.A. SUPPER.

LEAVING THE COLONY ON RETIREMENT.

Col. C. Russell-Brown, C.B., D.S.O., is shortly leaving the Colony on retirement, and the Executive Service Men's Association (1914-1918) gave a supper in his honour on Wednesday night in their Club Rooms, No. 17, Queen's Road Central, at which many members were present. Lt. Col. F. Hayley Bell, D.S.O., President of the Association, occupied the chair and was supported by Mr. E. S. Carter and Mr. C. L. Edwards, Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively, of the Association, and other members of the Committee.

Lt. Col. Hayley Bell in proposing the toast of the guest of the evening said Col. Russell-Brown was a valued friend of the Association, to which he had rendered much assistance on various occasions, notably by his eloquent and witty speeches at their annual dinners on Armistice Day. He felt that Col. Russell-Brown after military experiences in most parts of the world would now share the feelings of many of those present who had been obliged to leave the Services to take up again activities in less picturesque and more humdrum surroundings. The President was of the opinion that there were probably none of those present who did not look back with happy memories on those days when despite horrors of war, they were serving the King and the Colours. On behalf of the Association he wished Col. Russell-Brown long years of happiness yet to come. The toast was received with loud applause and general acclamation.

The Appeal Of The Army.

Col. Russell-Brown in responding said that he thought one never really got away from the Army, even after retirement. Soldiers were wont to "grouse" and have little grievances, but nearly every one of them realised that the British Army was more worth the cost of occupation. He would of course much regret having to leave it and "wear the bowler hat." Nothing, however, in connection with his retirement could give him more pleasure than the spontaneous function at the E.S.M.A. Club. Most of those present had gone through "sticky" times during the war and it was only the common experience of those times that could cement the peculiar feelings of friendship that old comrades had for one another. They were best maintained by institutions such as E.S.M.A. After giving a few sparkling reminiscences of military life, he thanked those present for honouring him that evening.

A capital musical programme followed after the supper, the guest of the evening also participating and proved a performance of great ability. The proceedings terminated by Col. Russell-Brown, being played from the Club premises by Pipe Major Macleod, R.O.S.B., amid much enthusiasm.

HELENA MAY MUSICALE.

A VARIED PROGRAMME.

FAREWELL TO MRS. RUSSELL BROWN.

There was plenty of variety in the programme given at the Helena May Institute yesterday evening. Mr. John Braga, who opened the programme with the very difficult Mendelssohn's "On Wings of Song" has played more consistently, but there were moments of brilliance yesterday.

The second of Miss Dunbar's three sonnets was the most popular, and Miss Dunbar was warmly encored as was Mrs. Sanger, who sang the well known Brahms "Cradle Song" beautifully.

The Spohr "Adagio" lacked finality, but when Mrs. Aubrey played first violin in the Handel she seemed to give it more determination, and with Mr. Braga playing well, the result was excellent.

Mr. Bowes-Smith's playing of Chopin was good, and the Nocturne he gave us an encore was one of the best things in a really enjoyable evening. Just before the seventh item Mr. Bowes-Smith spoke shortly of the early departure of Mrs. Russell-Brown from the Colony. Everyone who is interested in music and these musicals, he said, will regret the departure of Mrs. Russell-Brown. Not only has her singing been much appreciated at these musicals, but she has worked untiringly in the organization and preparation of programmes. "That's true," said Mr. Bowes-Smith, "that you will join with me in wishing her joyous voyage and in passing a hearty vote of thanks to Mrs. Russell-Brown."

SEQUEL TO LUNK COLLISION.

STEERSMAN CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER.

ABERDEEN FATALITY.

Kwok Shun Lee, the steersman of a Chinese fishing junk, was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell yesterday with the manslaughter of a small Chinese girl on February 20th. The girl, who was asleep on board a sampan, was killed when the defendant's junk collided with the sampan.

Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro, jun., instructed by Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro, sen., appeared for the defence. Dr. A. Cannon, officer in charge of the Victoria Mortuary, stated in his evidence that death was primarily due to a fracture at the base of the skull. The general condition of the body was good, the only external signs of injury being a few bruises at the back of the left ear.

Sergeant A. Kirby, in charge of the Police Station at Stanley, said that on hearing of the fatality he proceeded with his informant to Po Tai Island on a police launch. Witness was taken to a small fishing junk lying ashore in the bay. On the boat was the body of a Chinese girl. The boat's gunwale was splintered for about nine inches to a depth of about two inches. On examining the big fishing junk which was about 120 yards away, witness found the crossboards of the bow had been cracked. Defendant and another steersman were then arrested.

Cross-examined by Mr. d'Almada, witness said that the gunwale of the fishing boat was about eighteen inches to two feet out of water. The boat was a lightly built one. The damage to the crossboard on the junk was about 18 inches out of water. In witness's opinion, the damage must have been caused by a heavy impact and the Sergeant agreed with counsel that it could have been caused by the junk pitching and coming down heavily on the sampan.

Witness said that he had no idea what sort of weather prevailed at the time of the accident, but when he went out in the police launch, the sea was choppy and a fairly strong wind was blowing.

Leung Ching, the deceased girl's father, gave evidence at both the morning and afternoon sittings. This witness said that he had known the deceased, who was the eldest of his wife, there were two other daughters, mother and two other daughters. Witness was fishing until 8 o'clock in the morning when the collision took place. Deceased was sleeping on deck under the bamboo and canvas hood. The boat had a bright light burning all night. It was a dark night with little wind.

After further evidence, Mr. d'Almada raised the question of bail, pointing out that his client was only a steersman and therefore unable to furnish a large sum. Bail was fixed at \$300 and the case was adjourned until Thursday next at 11.30 a.m.

HONG KONG HOTEL SUES GUARANTOR.

MR. HAYNES PROMISES PAYMENT.

At the Summary Court yesterday morning the case in which the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., sue Mr. Jas. T. Dobbie formerly of the Hong Kong Herald Publishing Company, was down for hearing. Mr. Dobbie had stood as guarantor for Mr. L. E. Haynes in respect of \$23.35.

Mr. O. E. C. Marton, who appeared for the Hotel, said that Mr. Haynes had consented to judgment, but Mr. Justice Wood said he was not entitled to consent as he was not the defendant.

Mr. Haynes said he was the original defendant. He gave assurance that the money would be paid within seven days.

Mr. Marton asked for a week's adjournment, and Mr. Justice Wood put the case down for March 17th and indicated that, if the statement was no longer outstanding, it could be recorded.

UNWHOLESOME PORK.

SHARP FINE IMPOSED ON BUTCHER.

A Chinese butcher appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday morning on a charge of being in possession of pork, which was unfit for human consumption.

Defendant was arrested on the Taun Wan Road. In answer to the charge he stated that he purchased the pork after being present when the pig was slaughtered at "Un Long."

Mr. Kelly, assistant Colonial Veterinary Surgeon, said that the animal had died of swine fever, and was dressed after death. It had not been bled properly and bore dark red spots. The pig had died about 24 hours before examination. A fine of \$50 was imposed.

FULL COURT'S SHORT SITTING.

MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL WITHDRAWN.

COSTS AGAINST BANK TRUSTEE.

The Full Court sat for a few minutes yesterday morning when a motion for a new trial was dismissed with costs. The parties concerned were Wong Hoi Chung, trustee of the Yue Hong Bank in bankruptcy, and the Tai Hing Wo firm and Tse Chau Tan.

The application arose from the decision of the Chief Justice that the Court could not wait for a witness who, according to Mr. Alabaster, K.C., was material to the plaintiff's case. The plaintiffs were claiming the sum of \$27,231 alleged to be due on three promissory notes issued in 1925.

Mr. Jenkin, who appeared for the respondents yesterday, said that on the Saturday before the sitting of the Full Court the plaintiffs filed a notice withdrawing notice of the motion for a re-hearing.

Letters had been written to the appellants, stated Mr. Jenkin, asking for taxed costs of the respondents incidental to the notice of the motion. There had been no reply and the respondents were now asking for those costs together with the costs attendant on the present application.

The application was granted.

PARTNERS WHO FELL OUT.

QUARREL OVER DIVISION OF BUSINESS ASSETS.

In the Summary Court yesterday afternoon before Mr. Justice Wood Long Quock Lam, 5 Gresson Street sued Tam Wah Dong, c/o the China Rubber Tyre Company, 74, Praya East.

Plaintiff sued for \$500 as money advanced under a partnership agreement made in June 1926, last year. On January 8th the partnership was dissolved by a written agreement in which the defendant became the purchaser of the partnership assets subject to the partnership liabilities, including the said debt of \$500 due to the plaintiff. Alternatively, the money was claimed to be repaid under the terms of the dissolution of partnership.

A counterclaim for \$250 was entered by defendant. Mr. H. C. Macnamara was for plaintiff, and Mr. M. K. Lo for defendant.

Giving evidence the plaintiff said that on June 10th last year he entered into a partnership with Tam but they disagreed over the carrying on of the business and came to the conclusion that the partnership should be ended. Messrs. Lo and Lo were consulted as to terms.

Plaintiff and Tam gave instructions to Mr. Lo and a document was drawn up. It was admitted that \$784 was due to plaintiff, but he had not been paid so he had taken \$259 from the money of the company which left a balance of \$525. Of that \$25 was for interest, but he was waiving that amount.

The purchase price of business was to be determined by an auction and his share of \$3,253 had been paid.

Plaintiff said, in reply to Mr. Lo, the chief trouble about the dissolution terms was how the debt of \$784 should be liquidated. It was agreed that this sum should be deducted from the purchase price of the business, which was bought by the defendant, and the remainder divided by two.

It was argued for the defence that the debt, which was admittedly a partnership, was liquidated by that amount being deducted from the purchase price of the business, as embodied in the agreement, and that there was nothing more owing. Judgment was reserved.

NEW NORTH CHINA SERVICE.

COLUMBIA PACIFIC SHIP-PING COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT.

The Columbia Pacific Shipping Company announces that commencing with the *ss. West Cayote* sailing April 28th and *ss. West Histon*, May 5th from Portland, Ore., these vessels will sail regularly on the 5th of every month to North China ports. They will return via San Francisco to Portland, Ore.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in pursuance of Section 188 of the Companies Ordinance 1911, that a GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above-named Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. PEARCE, STUART & FLEMING, 6 Des Voeux Road Central, on SATURDAY, the FOURTEENTH DAY OF APRIL, 1928, at 12 O'CLOCK NOON, for the purpose of having an Account laid before them showing the manner in which the Winding-up has been conducted and the Property of the Company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidators, and also of determining by Extraordinary Resolution the manner in which the Books, Accounts, and Documents of the Company and of the Liquidators thereof shall be disposed. Dated the 8th day of March, 1928.

J. HENNESSY SETH,
S. HAMPTON BOSS,
Joint Liquidators. [5990]

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UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG.
NOTICE.

THE REGULATIONS for the SENIOR and JUNIOR LOCAL EXAMINATIONS and for the MATRICULATION EXAMINATIONS of the UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG to be held in 1928 may be obtained on Application to the Under-Signed. Price: 20 CENTS PER COPY.

W. B. FINNIGAN,
Registrar. [5985]

TENDERS are invited for the

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H.M. NAVAL YARD,
Hong Kong. [5990]

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRIFT Programme and Entry Form for the SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 17th MARCH, 1928 (Weather Permitting), may be obtained at the RACE COURSE, HONG KONG CLUB and CANTONWAY RACE COURSE. Entries will CLOSE at 12 O'CLOCK NOON on MONDAY, 12th MARCH, 1928.

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REVISED DATES of EXTRA RACE MEETINGS 1928:
17th MARCH,
7th and 8th APRIL,
22nd MAY,
29th and 30th MAY,
6th and 7th JUNE,
10th NOVEMBER,
1st DECEMBER.

By Order,
C. R. BROWN,
Secretary. [5974]

INTIMATIONS.

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE,
HONG KONG.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the SOCIETY will be held in the Office of the Hon. Koro Jocky Club, on the Ground Floor of the HONG KONG CLUB, on FRIDAY, 9th MARCH, 1928, at 5.30 P.M.

For the following purposes:—
(a) To receive the Report of the Committee and Statement of Accounts for the past year.
(b) To elect the Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.
(c) To consider the manner in which St. George's Day shall be celebrated.
(d) To transact any other Business of which due Notice has been given.

S. T. BUTLIN,
Hon. Secretary. [5958]

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 5, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, on SATURDAY, 10th MARCH, 1928, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the Year ending DECEMBER, 1927; declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to 10th MARCH, 1928, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
M. MANUE,
Secretary. [5915]

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC
CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Company's Office, P. & O. BUILDING, on FRIDAY, 16th MARCH, 1928, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st DECEMBER, 1927, and electing Directors and Auditors.

THE REGISTER of MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from 3rd MARCH, 1928, to 16th MARCH, 1928, Both Days inclusive, during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents. [5924]

NOTICE.

THE HONG KONG AND WHAM-
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, 20th MARCH, 1928, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st DECEMBER, 1927.

THE SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 14th to 20th MARCH, 1928, (Both Days inclusive).
By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager. [5976]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO.,
LIMITED.

THE 30th ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Buildings, CHATER ROAD, Victoria, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st DAY OF MARCH, 1928, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st DECEMBER, 1927.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 13th MARCH, 1928, until WEDNESDAY, the 21st MARCH, 1928, Both Days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers,
Hong Kong, 1st March, 1928. [5945]

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Undersigned on MONDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1928, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1927.

THE SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 26th MARCH, 1928, Both Days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers,
The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hong Kong, 6th March, 1928. [5962]

INTIMATIONS.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Colony of Hong Kong at 12.10 O'CLOCK in the AFTERNOON on FRIDAY, the 16th DAY OF MARCH, 1928, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Resolution as an Extraordinary Resolution:—

"That the Capital of the Company be increased from its present Capital of \$3,000,000 (Hong Kong Currency) into \$3,000,000 (Hong Kong Currency) divided into 300,000 Shares of \$10 Each to \$3,000,000 (Hong Kong Currency) divided into 300,000 Shares of \$10 Each and that such Additional Shares shall rank in all respects pari passu with the Original Capital of the Company."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that a FURTHER EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Same Place at 12.30 O'CLOCK in the AFTERNOON on MONDAY, the SECOND DAY OF APRIL, 1928, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, confirming the above Resolution as a Special Resolution.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that a further EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Same Place on MONDAY, the SECOND DAY OF APRIL, 1928, at 12.40 O'CLOCK in the AFTERNOON, soon thereafter as the above Meeting shall have terminated, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Resolutions, namely:—

1.—That the Directors be, and they are hereby authorized, to capitalise the Sum of \$1,500,000 Profits of the Company standing to the Credit of the Company's Reserve Fund and to allot to the Members holding Shares of the Company as on 1st Day of July, 1928, in respect of the Net Amount capitalised Fully Paid Shares of the Company of equivalent nominal value in the Proportion of One Share for Every Two Shares of the Company then held by such Persons respectively and that such Shares so allotted shall rank for Dividends as from the 1st Day of July, 1928.

2.—That if, on such Distribution as aforesaid, any Person would be entitled to a Fraction of a Share, the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing Fractional Certificates, cause the Whole Share to be allotted to a Person or Persons to be named by the Directors and such Share may, at such Time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the Proceeds distributed amongst the Person entitled to the Fraction, making up the Share.

Dated the 3rd day of March, 1928.
By Order of the Board,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents. [5976]

MACAO RACES.
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MACAO RACES.SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING:
SUNDAY, 11th MARCH, 1928.

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Leaves Hong Kong.....8 A.M.

Returning from Macao.....4 P.M.

S.S. "TAI SHAN"—

Leaves Hong Kong.....9 A.M.

Returning from Macao.....5.30 P.M.

By Order,
S. W. CHENG,
Secretary. [5962]

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[5979]

INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE.
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ANDREW HARPER & SON have ceased to be the Authorized Dealers of the Company for Hong Kong and SOUTH CHINA as from the 20th DAY OF JANUARY, 1928.

FORD MOTOR COMPANY.

NOTICE.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that WALLACE HARPER & CO., LTD., have been appointed Our Authorized Dealers for Hong Kong and SOUTH CHINA as from the 1st DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1928.

FORD MOTOR COMPANY. [5991]

DENISON, RAM & GIBBS.

MR. L. GIBBS will Retire from the Firm on 31st MARCH, 1928, and will have No Responsibility for any work done by the Firm After That Date.
The Business will be carried on under the Name of DENISON, RAM & GIBBS by MR. E. F. R. SAMPLE. [5957]

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate No. 5/NS 4823 dated Hong Kong, 3rd October, 1917, for One Share of this Bank Numbered 54089 in the Name of MA LO KWONG CHUN has been LOST or STOLEN, and should this Certificate not be produced to the Bank before the 15th MARCH, 1928, a New Certificate for the Share will be issued, and the aforesaid Certificate No. 5/NS 4823 will be thereupon treated as void.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. C. HARRIS,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 11th Feb., 1928. [5980]

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

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Hong Kong Office: 11, Ice House Street.

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The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, MARCH 9th, 1928.

INDIA AND THE SIMON COMMISSION.

SOME of the difficulties confronting the Simon Commission in India are vividly suggested by two articles in the current numbers of the "Fortnightly Review" and the "Contemporary Review" by Sir MICHAEL O'DWYER, Lieut.-Governor of the Punjab at the time of the Amritsar incident, and Sir SANKARAN NAIK, a former member of the Viceroy's Council. Sir SANKARAN NAIK, even more by implication than by direct statement, expresses the deep hostility of politically minded India to the Commission. Lord BIRKENHEAD defended the exclusion of Indians from its personnel mainly on the ground that he would have had to appoint representatives of at least a dozen leading parties. It was therefore preferable to make it entirely a Parliamentary Commission to report to Parliament on the working of the Government of India reforms. Sir SANKARAN NAIK replies that there are plenty of Indian statesmen able to take an impartial and non-party view of Indian questions which will certainly be incomprehensible to a

British Commission. He takes the view that a conference should be called of representatives of all Indian classes and communities and that they, knowing their own problems, would be able to hammer out a constitution suitable for the Government of the country. He says: "The questions between Hindus and Mohammedans can be settled by them alone in mutual consultation. The interference of Englishmen will be a bar to settlement."

The objections to this suggestion are of less importance than the fact that it should be put forward by a leader of politically minded India. There is, unfortunately, little to indicate that the spirit of compromise and readiness to put national before party and caste advantage exists in India to the extent that would be necessary to justify such a conference. The Chinese drew up their own constitution after the dismemberment of the Manchuria, and KAREKIN did the same in Russia. Three centuries ago Unswill tackled the same task in England. We all know the fate of these paper constitutions. A constitution has to grow out of the needs and circumstances of a people. It is a living thing; it cannot be created, like an artificial flower, out of paper, even if the design is by most learned and patriotic gentlemen.

Sir SANKARAN NAIK's article concludes with the following words:—"If the Ministry is allowed to wreck the reforms or fail to effect any substantial progress India has no cause to despair. The next world war, already looming on the horizon, will make her master of the situation. She will get back not only what she may have lost during the interval, but more—in fact, practically Home Rule. If for any reason these hopes are disappointed, India would sever her connection with England and the latter would, in the words of Mrs. BERANT, sink into a second Holland."

Writing from the opposite standpoint Sir MICHAEL O'DWYER says that of India's 270 millions less than two millions are "politically minded" and the overwhelming majority neither want nor understand the political reforms on which Sir SANKARAN NAIK is such a stickler. He quotes two most eminent Indian reformers, Sir GANU RAM and Mr. GANDHI, in support of his contention that India should aim at social and economic reform before paying attention to the political question. Both writers make some play with Miss Mayo's notorious book "Mother India," but while Sir SANKARAN NAIK seeks to uphold the view that she is the agent of reactionaries Sir M. O'DWYER is able to cite Mr. GANDHI's significant opinion that it is a book for Indians and not Europeans. The problem of child marriage and child widowhood is as terrible as that of the trampling of the women's feet in China. It resists perniciously through the whole social structure. But the reform will have to come from within. The British Government is entirely right in refusing to interfere with Indian religions and customs.

It is a counsel of perfection to ask politically minded India to devote itself wholly to social and economic reform. Inevitably it will demand a larger and larger share of the government of the country. No one has better reason than Sir MICHAEL O'DWYER to know that these two millions, mainly of higher caste inhabitants, can work like a potent leaven until the peaceful peasants and merchants who want nothing except to carry on their daily tasks under the British raj become for the time being a howling mob. The problem of India's political training has got to be faced. In these days of popular education and of propaganda politics, the task is one of making them ready for the power that is bound to be delegated to them sooner or later. It is only thus that the tragedies of Russia and China can be avoided.

One Chinese case of diphtheria and two cases of cholera, one Chinese and the other Norwegian, were reported on Wednesday.

A little Chinese girl who had been sent to buy milk was knocked down by a motor bus in Nathan Road, Kowloon. She was at once removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital, but her condition is not considered serious.

Forthcoming weddings announced are those of Mr. Robert Cunningham, son of the Supreme Court, to Miss Agnes Mary Stuart, employed by the Peak Hotel; Mr. J. F. May, architect, to Miss G. A. Rowland, Miss I. G. Liu, doctor, to Miss May Institute.

Major General Luard (O.C. China Command) will inspect the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps on the Murray Parade Ground next Thursday at 6 p.m. There will be a practice parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Monday at 5.30 p.m.

The engagement is announced of Mr. Robert Miller, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. John Miller, of Blackhall, Midlothian, and Miss Doris Purnbeck, younger daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. James Purnbeck, of Kowloon Dock.

Charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell yesterday morning on charges of being connected with local Triad Lodges six men were formally remanded on the application of Mr. C. A. S. Ross, who appeared for two of the defendants.

The body of a Chinese was found suspended by a piece of cow-hide from the railing of the bridge on Bowen Road above the reservoir on Wednesday morning. The body was identified as that of a shoeb at Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, who lived at No. 6, Wa Lung Street.

Five Chinese, alleged to be concerned in the running of an illicit distillery, were brought before the Central Magistrate yesterday and remanded. The prosecution was a sequel to a raid carried out by revenue officers on a house in Queen's Road West where they found "local brandy" and ingredients for its manufacture. Among other things seized were labels bearing the words "Star Port Wine Manufactured in England." A number of bottles were also seized and instead of the usual Excise label on the capsule, there were tobacco labels of Macao origin.

The official landing at Tien Taze (Government Pier), Central Bund, is to take place to-day at 10.30 a.m. There will be a reception at the headquarters of the Provincial Government, but no speeches.

Lunch will be taken at Shamone in the British Consulate-General, an informal affair.

The afternoon will be spent in sightseeing and in the evening Marshal Li Tsai Hain will be host at a formal dinner. He will welcome the visitors and H.E. the Governor will reply in Chinese. Ladies will be present. To-morrow the visitors will take their leave by a flower-bout trip on the Canton River, dine with the Chinese General, Chamber of Commerce of Canton, and then go to a Chinese theatrical entertainment. Lady Clementi will lunch with Madame Li Tsai Hain and official ladies. To-morrow the visitors will make an official departure from Government Pier arriving at Hong Kong in the evening.

ATTEMPTED ARMED ROBBERY.
ROBBERS LEAVE HURRIEDLY.
Hah Kai, a marine hawket residing at No. 6, Clarence Street, West Point, has reported to the Police that at about 7.30 last night he was suddenly attacked by seven men who produced revolvers and daggers. Owing to some circumstances not at present disclosed the armed robbers made a hurried departure and left in the direction of Kennedy Town.

CEMENT CARCO DRAGS DOWN JUNK.
CREW CLING TO THE RIGGING.
ALL RESCUED WITHOUT LOSS.
The bad weather conditions of the past week have been responsible for another mishap fortunately attended by no loss of life. A Chinese junk laden with cement left Hong Kong last Monday bound for Lok Mun, but when she was off Lantau Island the next day, she became water-logged and immediately sank. She was not in very deep water, the water still showed, and the crew, numbering twelve in all, clung to the rigging. Fortunately they were rescued by a passing junk and were brought back to Hong Kong yesterday morning. The water must have turned the cement into a wet mass far beyond the buoyancy of the vessel.

WEATHER REPORT.
Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.30 p.m. stated:—
Local Forecast: N.W. or variable winds, moderate clouds at first, finer later.

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OPERATIONS.

\$200,000,000 LOAN "SUGGESTED."

JAPAN'S ATTITUDE AS TO PEKING'S POLICY.

LEADERS OF NANKING'S NEW
POLITICAL COMMISSION.

The influential committee who are meeting in Peking, ostensibly under the direction of Dictator Chang Tso Lin, is about to begin work. Their primary object is Customs autonomy and the flotation of a \$200,000,000 loan. Italy and Japan are the Powers at present chiefly opposed to this policy, and, in a telegram to hand from Osaka, the latter country's attitude is succinctly expressed.

Further information is forward regarding Nanking's new Political Commission, and it will be seen that the leading military members of the Nationalist and allied forces are given responsible posts in various parts of the country under Nationalist jurisdiction.

There is still an absence of news regarding the northern campaign, both as to movements of troops and actual fighting. Evidently the participants are preparing for something decisive, and very probably all are handicapped by lack of funds. Such indeed is the reason given for Marshal Chiang's lack of actual activity. The one concrete fact that is to hand is that Marshal Feng, the "Christian General," has now crossed the Yellow River for the purpose of personally conducting operations.

"CUSTOMS AUTONOMY."

(Wah Tai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, March 8th.
The Committee appointed by Marshal Chang Tso Lin to take charge of "Customs Autonomy," will be inaugurated to-morrow.

JAPAN'S ATTITUDE.

OPPOSITION TO PEKING
GOVERNMENT'S POLICY.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

OSAKA, March 8th.
Representatives of leading trade associations in Osaka, Kobe and other cities have adopted a resolution opposing Chinese Tariff Autonomy or the proposed interim measure to increase the Customs Revenue, upon the ground that such will merely help Chinese warlords to continue civil wars.

The resolution contends that the Government's of North and South China must unite to ask the powers to re-open the Tariff Conference. The resolution declares that the Peking Government's procedure is a breach of Treaty.

The *Asahi*, taking up the matter editorially, urges the closest vigilance of Peking's activities in looking to tariff autonomy, and the paper recommends that Japan should take proper steps before it is too late.

HO CHIEN'S TROOPS.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, March 8th.
General Li Ben Hsin has concluded peace negotiations with General Poi Chung Hsi. According to its terms, General Ho Chien's troops will be reorganised into two armies which will participate in the Northern expedition.

MARSHAL FENG CROSSES
YELLOW RIVER.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, March 8th.
According to a telegraphic report from Kaifeng, Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang has personally proceeded across the Yellow River for the purpose of directing operations.

THE BRITISH MINISTER.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, March 8th.
Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister, is leaving Shanghai on the 19th inst. for Peking.

CONTRABAND AMMUNITION
SEIZED.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

ICHANG, March 7th.
The British Commissioner of Customs has taken charge of a quantity of contraband ammunition found aboard an Upper River steamer.

WRECKERS ON THE
YANGTZE.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

ICHANG, March 7th.
A warning has been received that pirates on the Middle River intend to remove the mast boys and bamboo. Their object is to plunder ships that have gone aground owing to these aids to navigation having been taken away. It is said that the pirates were behind the recent dismissal of the River Inspector and his staff.

BRITISH AIR
ESTIMATES.INCREASED SUBSIDIES FOR
CIVIL AVIATION.NEW SQUADRONS THIS
YEAR.IMPERIAL AIR MAIL ROUTE
TO INDIA AND EAST.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 8th.
Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for Air, in a memorandum accompanying the Air Estimates, gives the present strength of the Royal Air Force as equivalent to 69 squadrons to which four new squadrons will be added in 1928.

The developments will be principally overseas. Two new squadrons will go to India, making a total there of eight, the cost of which will fall on the Indian exchequer.

Provision is made for two new flights of flying boats, which have great potentialities in protecting imperial communications. One flight will be stationed Overseas. A parachute is now supplied to every aircraft capable of carrying it, and the percentage carrying parachutes will be 86 in 1928. The remainder will be mostly sea-going aircraft and as the present form of attachment involves risk of drowning the difficulty is expected shortly to be solved.

The increase of £18,000 in subsidies in civil aviation is intended for further development in 1928 of existing air services with the ultimate object of establishing an Imperial Air Mail Route to India and the East.

MASSACRE IN
HUNAN.PEASANT "REDS" AND DIS-
BANDED SOLDIERS'
OUTRAGES.

HORRIBLE CRUELTY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HANKOW, March 8th.
Details from Chinese sources of the massacre by peasant Communists and disbanded soldiery at Lei-yang show that their first () on entering the city was to set fire to all the houses of well-to-do people. All the occupants, men, women and children, were forced to remain inside, and they all perished in the flames.

During the few days of Communist occupation, everybody in the city showing any appearance of prosperity was massacred, mostly after being tortured.

The gouging out of eyes and the cutting off of ears were the most favoured of such tortures as can be described. Whole families were thus treated.

Children were compelled to watch their parents, and parents to watch their children being subjected to horrible mutilations prior to being finally slaughtered.

The bulk of the female population who were unable to flee were subjected to unmentionable tortures before being put to death.

Anti-Communist troops despatched from Hangchow have now occupied Lei-yang, after the Communists had withdrawn towards the Kwangtung border, where there are reports of further massacres.

A number of foreign missionaries is known to be in the Lei-yang area, and their fate is unknown.

INDIAN RAILWAYMEN.

WORKS CLOSED DOWN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CALCUTTA, March 7th.
The East Indian Railway authorities have decided to close down the Lillimach workshops, as the staff is not working. Over fourteen thousand men are involved.

The men are striking for increased wages. The unskilled workers claiming double pay and the skilled workers a 25 per cent. increase. The authorities state that it is impossible to comply with the demands.

SOVIET AND POISON GAS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MOSCOW, March 7th.
The Central Executive Committee of the Soviet has decided to ratify the act of adherence of the Soviet Government to the Protocol prohibiting the use of poison-gas in wartime, but has declared that the Protocol would bind the Soviet only in respect of those States which also adhered to the Protocol.

TROUBLE IN CAIRO.

STUDENTS ATTACK THE
POLICE.STONE-THROWING AND
INJURIES.

POLICE CARRY SHIELDS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CAIRO, March 8th.
Fifteen hundred students of industrial schools, who were on strike, came sharply into collision with the police, whom they stoned outside the Wafd Headquarters. The police, wearing steel helmets and carrying shields and heavy sticks, charged and scattered the rioters, three of whom were severely and 25 slightly injured. Eight policemen were injured. Wafd servants used the hose against the demonstrators.

Students At Opposition
Headquarters.

The Wafd Headquarters presented a very strike spectacle with students packed like sardines within its gates. The police outside without authority to enter while the boys hurled stones from the verandah.

The wounded were carried into the Wafd Headquarters which is Madame Zaki's house and the ambulance corps was summoned to attend them.

The Wafd leader, Nahas Pasha, arrived and urged the demonstrators to return to their homes.

By 1.30 p.m. only 100 remained. Brushes with the police also occurred in the streets, the police in motor-cars chasing the rioters.

The students of the Sheikh School at Assut struck yesterday and endeavoring to bring out the students at the American College, which they attacked, smashed the gates, tore up trees and smashed windows with stones.

The principal and staff defended the building, and the efforts to terrorise the students into striking failed. The principal was slightly injured.

Destructive School Boy "Demonstration."

Schoolboys at Tantah held a demonstration, and burned three motor-cars including the car of the Egyptian Commandant, who was severely handled.

The casualties in the rioting at Cairo, Assut and Tantah have so far been confined to students.

BRITISH BYE-
ELECTION.

LIBERAL GAIN AT ST. IVES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 7th.
The result of the bye-election in the St. Ives Division of Cornwall, caused by the elevation of the sitting member, Mr. J. A. Hawke (Conservative) to a Judgeship, resulted as follows:

Mrs. Runciman (Lib.) 10,241
Sir Andrew (Cons.) 9,473
Mr. Hopkins (Lab.) 4,343

Liberal majority ... 763

This is a Liberal gain.
At the General Election, there was a straight fight between Mr. Hawke (Conservative) and Sir Clifford Cory (Liberal), the former polling 11,150 and the latter 9,972.

It will thus be seen that the Conservative vote has declined by 1,081 and the Liberal poll has increased by 263.

New Lady M.P.

The new lady M.P. is the wife of the Right Hon. Mr. Walter Runciman, the well-known shipping magnate and former Cabinet Minister in Liberal administrations. Before her marriage, she was Miss Hilda Stevenson, a daughter of Mr. J. C. Stevenson, a former M.P. for South Shields.

Mrs. Runciman will now join her husband in Parliament, as he sits in the Liberal interest for Swansea. This is, we believe, the first occasion on which a husband and wife have both sat in Parliament at the same time.

Labour's Bold Bid For Seat.

LONDON, March 7th.
The bye-election at Middlesbrough (West), created by the death of Mr. Trevelyan-Thomson (Liberal), resulted as follows:

Mr. Kilgus (Griffith) 10,717
Mr. Ellis (Labour) 10,698
Mr. Stanley (Cons.) 8,213

Liberal majority ... 25

At the last General Election, the late Mr. Trevelyan-Thomson was returned unopposed.

BRITISH ARMY IN
INDIA.

THE INDIANISING SCHEME.

STATEMENT BY FIELD
MARSHAL BIRDWOOD.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

New Delhi, March 8th.
In the Assembly Field Marshal Birdwood announced that under the Government's scheme of Indianising the Army there would be instead of ten, twenty vacancies reserved at Sandhurst plus five or ten allotted to the Viceroy's commissioned Indian officers. There would also be vacancies at Woolwich and Cranwell for Indians, and the rate of further Indianisation would depend on the Indians themselves.

Field Marshal Birdwood pointed out that the Army in India, far from being a drain on the country, was a source of revenue, as the Army spent 77 per cent. of its gross expenditure in India while the military training was building up the physique, intelligence and citizenship of the Indian soldier.

LITTLE ENTENTE
DISPUTE.SMUGGLING OF MACHINE
GUN PARTS.

BEFORE LEAGUE COUNCIL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, March 7th.
The demands of the Little Entente, Czechoslovakia, Rumania and Yugoslavia, for an examination of the dispute over the smuggling of machine-gun parts into Hungary, were heard at a private Session of the Council of the League to-day.

The Hungarian delegate, General Tanczos, presented 61 documents relating to the affair, in which Italy is interested, and the Council, after an hour, decided to consider the matter in public after speeches by the various parties.

The Council accepted the motion of Sir Austen Chamberlain to appoint a committee to deal with the matter, this to consist of the delegates of Holland, Chili and Finland.

Mr. Cheng Loh's Message.

Some discussion arose during the private session, concerning the action of Mr. Cheng Loh, the Chinese ex-President of the Council, in recently telegraphing to the Hungarian Government advising the postponement of their decision to sell by auction the machine-gun parts.

Mr. Cheng Loh explained the reasons for his action.

A communication was afterwards issued as regards the reason given by Mr. Cheng Loh at the private sitting. He stated that his action in telegraphing the Hungarian Government was not intended as an injunction, but as friendly and courteous counsel with a view to preventing the Council from having to deal with an "accomplished fact," and thereby safeguarding the League's moral authority.

The President of the Council thanked Mr. Cheng Loh for his explanation.

Sir Austen Chamberlain drew attention to the difficulties facing Mr. Cheng Loh and declared that it would be necessary to examine the powers and duties of the sitting President at intervals between the Sessions.

The Council went on to a discussion of a proposal by Italy that an educational cinematograph institute be created in the Italian Republic was adopted.

Difficulties Undivulged.
It has been announced that the League Financial Committee, owing to difficulties which have not been divulged, was unable to proceed with the proposal for a Portuguese Stabilisation Loan.

Contrarily, the Committee has agreed to the Bulgarian Stabilisation Loan of £4,750,000.

Spain And Brazil Wanted Back To The Fold.
Geneva, March 8th.
The League Council has adopted the suggestion of its President to communicate with Spain and Brazil and ask if their reasons for leaving the League still existed, and stressing the great importance of their collaboration.

FRENCH OIL RESERVE.

GUARDING AGAINST POS-
SIBLE EMERGENCY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, March 7th.
The Chamber has passed a Bill regulating the importation of oil with a view to the creation of a national reserve of oil against possible emergencies.

THE PROPOSED ANGLO-EGYPTIAN
TREATY.

TEXT PUBLISHED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Co-operation Desired.

RUEUX, March 7th.
The text of the proposed Anglo-Egyptian treaty rejected by the Egyptian Cabinet and papers relating to its negotiation by Sarwat Pasha and Sir Austen Chamberlain were issued for publication on Thursday morning. The document begins with a memorandum by Sir Austen Chamberlain after the first conversation with Sarwat in London last July during which Anglo-Egyptian relations were revised and a mutual desire was expressed to prepare the way for close co-operation. After this Sarwat contributed a draft of the treaty to which a counter draft approved by the British Government was returned.

When Sarwat left London in November his discussions with Sir Austen were practically completed but the final approval of the British Government was required for the third draft on which the two statesmen had agreed. When this had been given, Sir Austen Chamberlain sent the text to Lord Lloyd, the British High Commissioner in Egypt, with a covering despatch which pointed out that the final draft differed importantly from that originally offered to Sarwat and embodied large concessions to the latter's own views and to Egyptian sentiment. The following is a summary of the agreed draft.

Eight Articles.

Article one formally records that the alliance is established. Article two: Egypt is not to adopt an attitude incompatible with the alliance or liable to create difficulties for Britain. Article three: if by an act of aggression Egypt is involved in war, the British will, subject to the provisions of the League Covenant, come to her aid as a belligerent.

Article four: Egypt to consult Britain if circumstances arise which are likely to imperil Egypt's good relations with a foreign Power. Article five: in view of co-operation between the two armies as contemplated in article three the instruction and training of the Egyptian army to be in accordance with British methods, and foreign officers or instructors necessary being selected from among British subjects.

Article six: a British force, if engaged in war, Egypt undertakes to furnish all facilities and assistance in its power in Egyptian territory.

Article seven: Britain to maintain upon Egyptian territory such armed forces as are considered necessary for defence of Imperial communications. The presence of these forces not to constitute in any manner an occupation and not to prejudice the sovereign rights of Egypt. After ten years the parties to reconsider the question of localities in which the said forces are to be stationed. Should no agreement be reached the question may be submitted to the Council of the League of Nations. Should the decision of the League be adverse to the claims of the Egyptian Government the question can at their request be re-investigated at intervals of five years, from the date of the League's decision.

Article eight: the Egyptian Government when engaging the services of foreign officials to give preference to British subjects. Article nine: Britain to support Egypt in obtaining consent of Powers to modification of capitulations to meet present conditions. Article ten: Britain to support Egypt's request for admission to the League of Nations. Article eleven: the British representative in Egypt to be an Ambassador with precedence over

all other foreign representatives. Article twelve: the rights and obligations devolving upon either party under the Convention of the League not to be prejudiced by the treaty. Article thirteen refers to annexes in which arrangements for carrying out the treaty are set out. Article fourteen: parties agree that any disagreement on application or interpretation of the treaty not settled by direct negotiations be dealt with in accordance with the provision of the League Covenant.

Annex one elaborates the procedure proposed for carrying out article seven. Annex two: Egypt to appoint in agreement with the British Government, Anatolian and judicial advisers. The number, status and functions of British officials now engaged in public security and police services to remain unchanged, pending modification of the capatory system.

The Opposition.
In the despatch to Lord Lloyd, dated March 1st, Sir Austen Chamberlain refers to the former's telegraphic report on the conversation with Nahas Pasha, leader of Wafd, who had stated that he felt it useless to discuss what advantages the various clauses of the treaty would have for Egypt since the instrument failed to provide for complete evacuation by British troops. Sir Austen Chamberlain says Nahas seemed no more inclined to recognise the realities of the situation than did Zaghul Pasha four years ago when Mr. Ramsey MacDonald made it clear that "No British Government in the light of the experience of the late war can direct itself wholly even in favour of an ally of its interest in guarding such a vital link in British communications as the Suez Canal. Such security must be a feature of any agreement." Sir Austen adds that it was Sarwat's recognition of these realities which made it possible to negotiate the treaty and it is Nahas refusal to recognise them which will again make settlement possible.

British Government's Policy.
Sir Austen Chamberlain authorized Lord Lloyd when the treaty was rejected to send the following note to the Egyptian Government: "The British Government have for some time past viewed with misgiving certain legislative proposals introduced in the Egyptian Parliament which if they were to become law would be likely seriously to weaken the hands of administrative authorities responsible for the maintenance of order and for the protection of life and property in Egypt. So long as there was any prospect of a speedy conclusion of the treaty of alliance which would define the new responsibilities and rights of the two parties the British Government were content to refrain from all comment in expectation that they might rely with confidence on the Egyptian Government to avoid legislation which might make it impossible for the Egyptian Administration to discharge successfully the increased responsibilities inherent in the treaty regime. Now that conversations with the Egyptian Government have failed the British Government cannot permit the charge of any of their responsibilities under the declaration of February 28th, 1922, to be endangered whether by Egyptian legislation of the nature indicated or by administrative action, and they reserve the right to take such steps as in their view the situation may demand."

The White paper concludes with the terms of the Egyptian Government's rejection of the treaty on the plea that it legalizes the occupation of the country by British forces.

BRITAIN AND BOXER
FUNDS.AWAITING STABILITY OF
AUTHORITY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 7th.
The use of the Boxer Indemnity funds was the subject of a question in the House of Commons to-day, when Mr. G. Loder-Lampson replied that though British relations with the various regional administrations in China had greatly improved, it was not yet clear that they had achieved any degree of permanency or stability of authority.

It was therefore useless, he said, to attempt to give effect to the recommendations of the Boxer Indemnity Commission as the Boxer money must be used for the welfare of the whole of China.

KILLED AND 18 ENTOMBED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BENTIN, March 7th.
Six miners have been killed and eighteen others are entombed as the result of a fire-damp explosion in a mine at Ludwigsdorf.

THE SAMOAN FRICTION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WELLINGTON, March 7th.
According to official advices from Samoa, the Native Parliament has agreed to convene a big meeting in the vicinity of Apia on March 18th for the purpose of putting an end to the Mau movement.

A deputation of the chiefs will subsequently visit New Zealand to learn the wishes of the Government. The Administrator's terms to the Mau provide that they obey the law, act constitutionally, and in the future to submit matters to him through the Samoan district committee and not through a European committee.

MEXICAN INSURGENTS.
FURTHER ENGAGEMENTS.
[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]
Mexico City, March 7th.
A message from Guadalupe states that four insurgent leaders have been killed and twelve of their followers as the result of a brief engagement in the State of Jalisco.

CRICKET NOTES.

INTERESTING SHIELD POSITION.

With the Navy-University match of Saturday last I have already dealt at some length in the issue of Monday. For the benefit of those who may have missed this I will briefly recapitulate the position. It is this. University have won all their matches but one, and are therefore full points minus three. Rowloon C.C. are already minus two points for a draw against L.R.C. "A." Therefore K.C.C. have to win outright their last two matches, viz., v. Civil Service C.C. on March 10th and v. L.R.C. "B" at some later date. The result of the latter match is for all intents and purposes a foregone conclusion. The Indians team, weakened by departures and dogged by ill-luck would, I think, find a position in the latter half of the Second League teams. Remains therefore Civil Service as the only factor whereby the Shield can be wrested from K.C.C. But—and it is a big But, a draw gives the University the Shield by one point. A win gives Rowloon the Shield by one point. It is a very agonising position. On paper and form, it is all Lombard Street to a China orange on K.C.C.; but mistakes will happen even in the best regulation of cricket, and I should not be entirely surprised at a draw. But a good deal. I hope that a few enthusiasts will come down. "Pamers of Offences." Which being interpreted is that the Civil Service does not come within the laws of Prohibition.

Kowloon Win.

The Kowloon side at home proved altogether too strong for the Chinese, who batted first. Hung collected 17 before he was out to a pretty catch by Lawrence but no one else did very much. Tai Wai Pui only had three balls but he made the most of them as he hit the first two for four, before being well caught by Teddy Fincher off the third. Charles Chou, Yeoh, Ng Sze Kwong and A. Hung all got to double figures but the whole side was out for ninety-two. Goodwin, Brace, Reynolds, and Ross got the wickets, but Lyal was out of luck. He bowled eleven overs for fourteen runs (six maidens) and no wicket. I cannot help thinking that if he pitched a bit more up he would get more wickets though he might be a bit more expensive. The best bowlers never mind being hit—in fact they like it.

Ramsay and E. C. Fincher knocked off the runs without difficulty, and each retired with over fifty to their credit. Brace got 33 and E. F. Fincher and Reynolds then took their heavy mashes and rattled the score up to 211 for 5 wickets, when E. F. was well taken at backward point by W. C. Hung off Ng Sze Kwong. One special point I noticed during the few minutes while I watched. Although Kowloon do not have the match won, the O.R.C. fielding never fell off. A most sporting side.

The Second League.

The "Varsity" second wound up their season with a win over the Electric by 6 wickets. It is curious to notice that playing the game out they only won by 10 runs, but this, of course, does not go for much. The wicket must have been a bit "wonky," as scores of 37 and 47 are not very dignified. Sudan's 47 for 10 was the best performance. The "Varsity" have really done remarkably well in winning all their engagements, outright, and have earned the proud title of Invicta.

Friends.

There was a very good game on the H.K.C.C. ground between the Club and G. R. Sayer's eleven. It was good to see Owen Hughes back though I see he has not lost his trick of bowling full tosses. He made an excellent 43 and should be a tower of strength to the Club next season. Dobbin got 31, hitting a very big six to the City Hall. Moor played a careful knock and Hancock, in his 10 not out, had a beautiful straight drive for six over the screen at the Naval Yard end.

When Sayer's side went in Dobbin with the new ball and a strong wind from the right quarter, was swinging tremendously and it was unfortunate Anderson had to face him so early—but probably a very instructive meeting. He touched one of the swingers however and was out early. Mason at last got going with the bat and played a fine defensive innings. I am told, but he seemed to be short of scoring shots other than a straight drive. Leach, who is in great form just now, hit well for 20 not out.

(Continued on next Column).

FOOTBALL.

KOWLOON F.C. v. HONG KONG F.C.

To-morrow at Sookunpoo, at 4.15 p.m.
Kowloon—Angus, Wheeler, and Dodson; Hedley, Sims and McKelvie; Duncan, Kernick, Northey, Muir and Miles. Reserves: Reed and Vickers.

KOWLOON F.C. 2nd XI v. ST. JOSEPH'S.

To-morrow, at the St. Joseph's ground, at 3 p.m.
Kowloon—Wood, Guest and Clarke; Roberts, Bliss and Dunnett; Pile, May, Coates, Tierman and Blacklock. Reserve: Eastman.

HOCKEY.

UNIVERSITY 1st XI v. Y.M.C.A. "A."

Next Monday, at 3 p.m., at King's Park.
University—A. A. Sullivan, M. B. Osman, A. A. Ramjahn, G. S. Scully, K. T. Loko (captain), P. C. Lim, G. E. Yeoh, K. P. Gan, Y. C. Teh, C. W. Lam and V. Enok.

UNIVERSITY 2nd XI v. Y.M.C.A. "B."

This game takes place to-day at p.m. on King's Park ground, Kowloon.

University—A. A. Aziz (captain), G. E. Yeoh, F. Y. Khoo, A. B. Sullivan, F. I. Zimmerman, S. C. Ho, N. P. Koh, N. F. Lai, N. S. Lim, Chew Yen Fook and Foo Eng Keng.

The Tamar did very well to beat

Craigengower, although, of course, the latter were not up to full strength. Pomeroy got 35, and Waters 23 or so the score sheet says.

The Civil Service second had one of their good days, and beat a weak H.K.C.C. second by 9 wickets. Harper and Davies made a great 1st wicket stand and Paterson had 8 for 25 including the hat trick.

The China Light and Power did very well to get home by one run against the Recreation who were, I think, on the weak side.

Hong Match.

The Bank bowlers really got to work in their match with Jardine's and rattled them out for 41. Bernard alone reached double figures. They then went on to get 145. Parker was the outstanding figure as he made 65 (retired) and took 4 for 17. Lee too did well making 29 and taking 3 for 7. The Bank—I should really say "Way-fong"—ought to be the best Hong side here as they have, besides Parker, very useful men in Lee, Green, and Hall—who unfortunately don't get very much time for cricket.

To-morrow's Games.

Besides the C.S.C.C. and K.C.C. match to which I have already referred, L.R.C. "B" are down to play C.R.C. and there should be a good game though I think the Chinese will be too strong for them. In the Second Division the Kowloon "B" Recreation should go far to settle which Club will occupy the position of runner-up in that League. The Recreation have been rather out of form lately, but I anticipate a very close game. I shall hope to give some account of the Civil Service-K.C.C. game in Monday's edition of this paper, provided the present beastly weather clears up enough to allow it to be played.

H. ABBIT.

H.K.C.C. 1st XI v. UNIVERSITY 1st XI.

At Pokfulam (Hong Kong University ground) to-morrow at 2 p.m.
H.K.C.C.—H. B. B. Hancock, T. E. Pearce, A. W. Hayward, E. J. R. Mitchell, H. Owen Hughes, Capt. N. Thorpe, E. B. Duckitt, O. Moor, G. Mead, F. H. Spence and W. K. Tai.

H.K.C.C. 2nd XI v. UNIVERSITY 2nd XI.

At Hong Kong C.C. ground to-morrow at 2 p.m.
H.K.C.C.—S. J. Jordan, E. R. West, J. E. Hancock, A. Howell, J. R. Way, J. C. Dunbar, W. N. H. Murdoch, S. J. Stancaby, H. V. Parker, F. L. Thomson and G. Rankin.

CLUB DE RECREIO 2nd XI v. K.C.C. 2nd XI.

The following will represent the Club de Recreio against the Kowloon Cricket Club in a Second Division League game to-morrow at 2 p.m.—H. A. Alves (captain), H. M. Kasper, R. C. Reed, M. F. Pina, C. M. Sousa, D. P. Xavier, E. de Sousa, L. G. Guterres, J. F. Lopes, H. A. Barros and F. H. Carvalho.

RACING NOTES.

[By RAPIER.]

The programme for the Easter Meeting at Kwai on the 31st inst. is given below. I am glad to see that cups are being given in three races out of the five instead of money, and that the amount of the stakes in the two remaining events has been reduced. After all the hunt ponies should be catered for first and it would be not only foolish finance but rather un sporting to raise the stakes to an amount sufficient to attract good race ponies to the exclusion of the owner ridden animals. It is a very friendly and sporting programme and as such it has my blessing.

Maiden Plate: About 1½ Miles. 1st prize \$50; 2nd prize \$30. For China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies that have started this season at Kwai 5 lbs. allowance. Entrance fee \$5.

Lightweight Foxhunting Cup: 1½ Miles.

For a cup presented by Mr. W. L. Stanton; 2nd prize \$30. For China ponies that have been regularly and fairly hunted with the Fanning Hounds, or which have started in a paper chase or point to point this season. Winners of two or more races 5 lbs. penalty. Ponies that have never won a steeplechase 5 lbs. allowance. Weight 155 lbs. Entrance fee \$5.

Fanning Grand National Handicap: About 2½ Miles.

For a Challenge Cup to be held by the winner for 1 year. Winner to receive a replica of the Challenge Cup; 2nd prize \$40; 3rd prize \$20. Top weight 168 lbs. bottom weight 140 lbs. Entrance fee \$5.

James Pigg Cup: 1½ Miles.

For a cup presented by Mr. James Pigg; 2nd prize \$30. For ponies that have been regularly and fairly hunted with the Fanning Hounds. Winner of 1 race 7 lbs. of two or more races 10 lbs. penalty. Weight 168 lbs. Entrance fee \$5.

Consolation Race: 7 Furlongs.

1st prize \$30; 2nd prize \$20. For China ponies that have started at this meeting or at Kwai this season. Winner at this meeting barred. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies that have won a steeplechase this season 10 lbs. penalty. Forced entry \$5.

SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING.

The following is the somewhat stereotyped programme for the above meeting. Entries close at noon on Monday next.

APRIL STAKES: ONE MILE.—For China ponies; subscription griffins of this Club of this season, non-winners. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey allowance.

BOA VISTA HANDICAP: "B" CLASS: SIX FURLONGS.—For China ponies.

BOA VISTA HANDICAP: "A" CLASS: SIX FURLONGS.—For China ponies.

FIRST AGGREGATE STAKES: ONE MILE.—Value \$600. For all China ponies. Catch weights at 10 st. 9 lbs. Winners of a race value \$600 or over other than a race confined to subscription griffins, or ponies that have won the aggregate prize in the Gymkhana Stakes or Aggregate Stakes in any season, 5 lbs. extra. Non-winning subscription griffins allowed 5 lbs.

BOA VISTA HANDICAP: "C" CLASS: SIX FURLONGS.—For China ponies.

D'AGUIAR PLATE: ONE ROUND (About 7 furlongs 55 yards).—For subscription griffins of this Club of any season and non-winning griffins of this season. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription griffins of this season and non-winning griffins allowed 5 lbs. Winners of one race, 5 lbs. extra; of two races, 10 lbs. extra; of three or more races, 15 lbs. extra.

KELLY HANDICAP: "B" CLASS: 1½ MILES.—For China ponies.

KELLY HANDICAP: "A" CLASS: 1½ MILES.—For China ponies.

BILLIARDS.

WARDERS DEFEAT THE NAVY.

The local Warders beat the Navy in their return billiards match, the scores being:

Warders.	Score.
H. Noonan	150
B. Handie	150
H. Selby	150
T. Gooding	115
J. Johnson	150
A. Pile	150
Total	560

Navv.

S. B. P. O. Pym	100
E. A. Reade	115
O. E. R. A. Deane	121
E. R. A. Davies	150
Mr. Light	100
E. R. A. Wilkes	98
Total	705

HOME FOOTBALL.

TO-MORROW'S LEAGUE FIXTURES.

A FULL PROGRAMME.

There are no Cup matches at Home to-morrow, and Clubs in both the English and Scottish Leagues will be fully engaged.

The fixtures are as under:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Blackburn R. v. Liverpool.
Birmingham v. Sheffield U.
Bolton v. Arsenal.
Cardiff City v. Leicester C.
Everton v. Portsmouth.
Huddersfield v. Sunderland.
Manchester U. v. West Ham.
Middlesbrough v. Burny.
Newcastle U. v. Aston Villa.
The Wednesday v. Burnley.
Tottenham H. v. Derby C.

Division II.

Blackpool v. Hull City.
Bristol City v. Barnsley.
Chelsea v. Preston.
Clapton v. Swansea.
Grimsby T. v. Notts Forest.
Kidderminster v. S. Shields.
Oldham v. Leeds U.
Reading v. Manchester C.
Southampton v. Port Vale.
Stoke City v. Wolves.
West Bromwich v. Fulham.

Division III (Southern).

Brentford v. Newport C.
Bristol v. Coventry C.
Brighton v. Gillingham.
Crystal Palace v. Watford.
Exeter City v. Charlton A.
Luton v. Swindon Town.
Millwall v. Queen's P.R.
Northampton v. Accrington.
Norwich City v. Plymouth A.
Southend U. v. Walsall.
Torquay U. v. Bristol R.

Division III (Northern).

Barnsley v. New Brighton.
Bradford v. Crawley.
Chesterfield v. Ashington.
Durham City v. Doncaster R.
Nelson v. Lincoln City.
Rochdale v. Huddersfield.
Rotherham v. Barnsley.
Southport v. Macclesfield.
Stockport v. Bradford C.
Tranmere R. v. Halifax T.
Wrexham v. Darlington.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Aberdeen v. Rangers.
Aberdeen v. Celtic.
Clyde v. Queen's Park.
Cowdenbeath v. Motherwell.
Dundee v. Hibernians.
Hamilton A. v. Raith R.
Hearts v. St. Mirren.
Kilmarnock v. Falkirk.
Rangers v. Dunfermline.
St. Johnstone v. Bo'ness.

RESULTS OF MID-WEEK MATCHES.

[THROUGH NEWSPAPERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 7th.

The following are the results of League matches played to-day:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Arsenal 3, Liverpool 3.
Birmingham 1, Wednesday 0.
Manchester U. 0, Huddersfield 0.

Division III (Northern).

New Brighton 0, Wrexham 0.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Aberdeen 1, Dunfermline 1.
Partick 2, Kilmarnock 0.
Motherwell 2, Dundee 0.
Hearts 0, Rangers 0.
Cowdenbeath 3, Hibernians 1.

BANDITS WHO RAID CHEMISTS' SHOPS.

PANTS ROBBERS.

New York.

Within the past few months nearly 20 chemists in Brooklyn have been the victims of a gang of bandits who are known as "pants robbers."

All of the robberies have been committed late at night by men who entered small chemists' shops with drawn revolvers and helped themselves to the contents of the tills after they had locked the proprietors or their assistants in charge in the prescription room, first removing the trousers of their victims to prevent them from giving an alarm.

In the hope of catching these pants robbers a number of plainclothes policemen have been stationed at various shops. Recently three men invaded a chemist's shop owned by Mr. Irving Stoller in Nostrand avenue.

Policeman Kelly was there with Mr. Stoller. After ordering both "Hands up!" the bandits searched the shelves and discovered Kelly's badge. They shot him in the back, killing him, and escaped in a taxi.

At the same time another gang of robbers looted a drug store in Brooklyn of \$2,000 worth of goods after killing a watchman.

RUGBY'S "KEY" POSITION.

STAND-OFF HALF MUST BE A GENIUS.

PRESENT-DAY STANDARD NOT GOOD.

[By R. F. MARSHALL.]

Rugby football is a deceptive game. It looks so simple, and yet it is so difficult to play really well, I know that some spectators will not agree, judging by the advice they give to players, but it is easier to play it in the stand than on the field.

The old gentleman who shouts, "Have it out, do have it out!" may think he is justified, but the probabilities are very much against him.

Has not the appreciation of the placing of a foot, the fraction of a second which determines the movements and actions of players?

I have often wondered which is the most difficult position to play in—which position demands the best co-ordination of skill and intelligence.

As a forward, my inclinations are to say that the forward to-day must be the most complete footballer on the field.

He must understand every phase of scrummaging—that complicated science—and he must also be able to play the outside at their own game.

But I am speaking of the ideal forward, the man of a generation, who is as much a frank of nature as a genius, and I think most of us must be satisfied to slog along on a less ambitious level of achievement.

We are lumbering fellows, with the donkey-work of the game as our portion, and we are content to do it as well as we can.

Genius Needed.

It seems to me that the stand-off half is the one player who needs a touch of genius if he is to be great. The scarcity of good players in that position to-day is enough to prove that the ideal stand-off half is born and not made.

There is not a player in any of the Home Counties at present who can hold a candle to man like W. J. A. Davies or Adrian Stoop, and there is not a player who looks as if he ever will be able to hold a candle to them.

Apart from the necessary physical attributes of quickness of the mark and safe hands, a stand-off half must have an exceptionally quick intelligence. Upon his swift judgment depends the successful direction of attack, and he has to size up the possibilities of a situation with instinctive certainty and amazing speed.

A centre three-quarter has responsibilities, but when all is said his course of action is largely determined by the lead given him by the stand-off half.

And it is not enough for a stand-off half to start quickly and to straighten the attack; he must have room to move, while the defence have not too much time to come up upon them.

It is in the timing of passes that our stand-off halves so often fail, and that is one reason why we must always regret that H. J. Kittermaster retired so early, for he was a past-master in the art.

And when our stand-off halves go through on their own they cut in away from strength, so that they are surrounded and snuffed out before the attack can develop.

A Valuable Kick.

That is bad, but it would be better if, when they have cut in, they would remember the value of the diagonal kick to the corner flag, which might give a fast wing three-quarter many a try.

Perhaps I shall be told that there are many more difficult positions on the field than stand-off half. It may be so, but it is hard to believe this, and it will always be annoying to hear the old gentleman grinning at the player he has dismissed.

An interesting letter has reached me in reference to last week's article on goal-kicking in which my correspondent says:

"I remember when a schoolboy at Swansea 40 years ago spending many an hour on the famous St. Helen's ground along with W. J. Bancroft, or 'Banky,' as he was known."

"After he had tired of placing goals from almost impossible positions, keeping his well on the run returning the ball to him, I have seen him take up the goal-line flag and place the ball where it stood."

He would then put up his hand to judge the strength of the wind blowing down the field, and finally, with a few screw kick the ball would flash out from the corner, just in front of the goal posts, and it was with delight that I used to signal to him that the breeze had carried the spent force of the ball over the cross-bar.

I doubt if Bigger has seen his equal as a match-winning place-kicker, since it was a case of pure skill, perfectly by long practice. There is a reminiscence which very definitely points to a moral. Daily Mail.

LAWN TENNIS.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

Although rain kept off yesterday afternoon, the ground was unsuitable for play.

The following matches have been fixed for to-day:—

Open Singles.

D. S. Green v. Yew-Man Kie.
S. A. Hussain v. S. A. Ramjahn.
A. Trambitzky v. Very Rev. A. Swann.

Open Doubles.

R. T. San and Chong Tuck Wing v. Yamada and H. Yoshida.
R. Hancock and R. E. Tottenham v. Major C. Willson and C. H. Bradley.

Club Singles.

S. E. Green v. W. B. Cornaby.

Handicap Singles "A."

E. D. Lawrence (over 3/8) v. O. W. E. Bishop (rec. 161).

(Continued on next Column).

CLUB DE RECREIO.

PROGRAMME FOR MARCH.

Prizes for the Club Tennis Tournament will be distributed on Sunday the 18th March, and on the same afternoon a Mixed Tennis tournament will be held. Those wishing to take part are requested to sign the list with the Bar, Boy with the names of lady partners.

A temporary bowling green has been prepared on the Cricket field, and is available for practice daily with the exception of Saturdays. An informal dance will be held on Sunday the 25th March, the subscription for which is \$3.00. A "Fancy" Dress Dance will also be held on Easter Sunday.

The Club also hopes to have the members of the Shanghai Interport Billiards Team as their guests.

Handicap Doubles.

H. C. MacNamara and R. A. Wadson v. Dr. D. J. Valentine and R. K. Valentine.

THE BETTER WAY.

ADVICE TO COMPETITORS IN THE TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

[The following lines written by "Touchstone" in the London Morning Post are reproduced for the benefit of those taking part in the H.K.C.C. tennis tournament. Lawn tennis players in America have been officially requested not to glare at the linesman when he gives a decision against them.]

When the sturdy linesman bellows "Out!"

Do not turn a petrifying stare

On the luckless fellow, for, no doubt,

He is only trying to be fair.

Though you "saw the chalk fly" let it rest.

Bow your head and murmur "He knows best."

If you look with murder in your eyes,

You may make him come all over queer.

Do not even indicate surprise,

Saying, "Was it really, now? Dear, dear!"

If you can't believe that it has gone,

Simply turn away and carry on.

But if beauty thinks it worth her while,

She may try to turn the linesman's head.

Giving him a sweet and dazzling smile.

Then there's nothing further to be said.

Captivate him, damsel, if you can;

After all he's only just a man.

Where Medusa looks will not avail.

You may try a soft, alluring glance.

Though the treatment possibly may fail,

Anyhow, it's well to take your chance.

Keen, perhaps, to give you all your due,

He may yield a doubtful point to you.

TOUCHSTONE.

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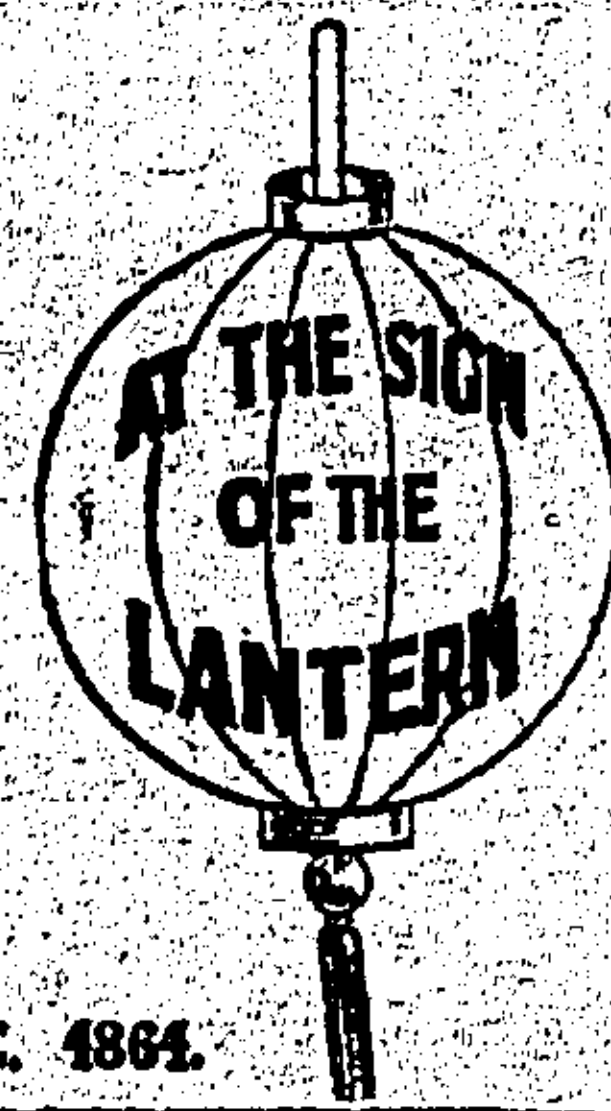
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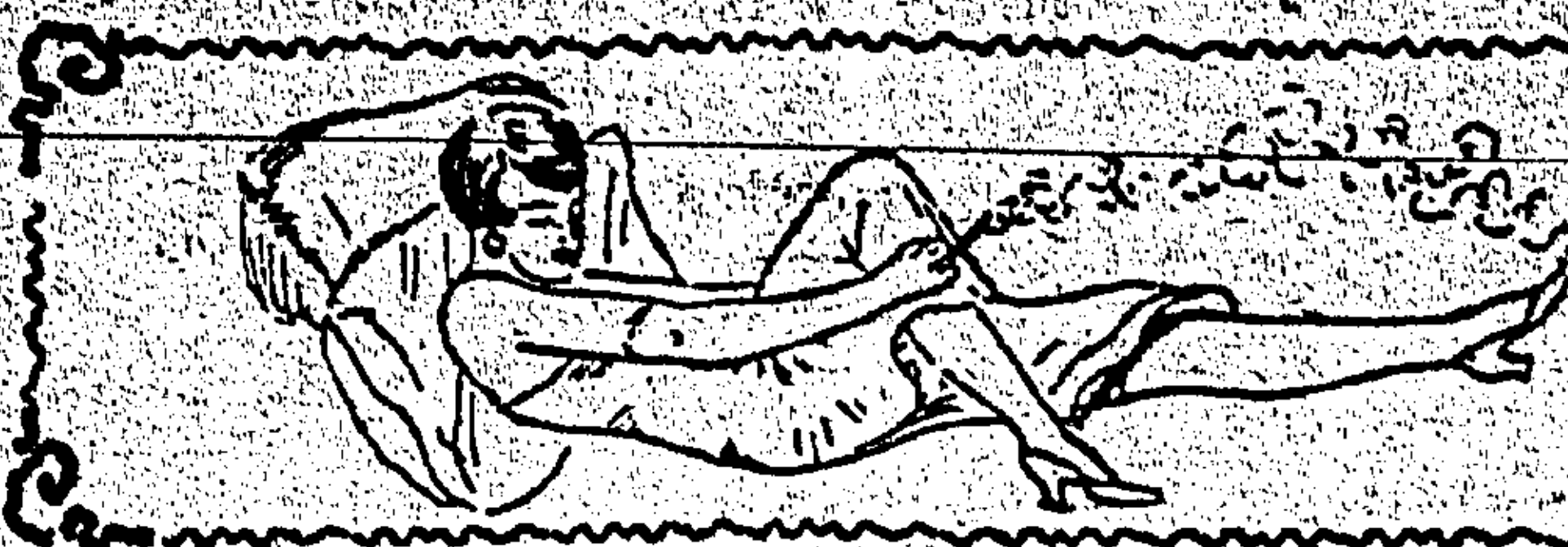


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The WOMAN'S PAGE

BUDDHA AND A
DRAGON.SOME ASPECTS OF SUPER-
STITION.

You cannot have failed to notice Komor's window this week for it is even more attractive than usual. The bronze Buddha who sits in the centre is, Mr. Komor told me, of the Ming period and according to legend has a hypnotic power. The hands are held in a rather curious praying position near the face which is benevolent and extraordinarily alive. There are certain of these statuettes of Buddha, according to Mr. Komor, which exert an influence especially on anyone to whom Buddhism makes an appeal so that they become disciples of the Indian teacher. "Of course,"

COCKLE SHELLS AND
SILVER BELLS.FELT, GLASS AND WAX FOR
ORNAMENTAL BLOSSOMS.

Flowers, that is artificial flowers, get more lovely and more astonishing every time we have a fresh shipment out from Home. In Lane, Crawford's the other day I found the assistants much excited over a new box they were unpacking. Each fresh flower seemed more delightful than the last. The little pots of growing flowers are not only quaint and charming but they are amazingly real looking. I think I like the begonia best, but the marigold would make a jolly spot of colour in your room. There are big sprays for vases—like which you would almost swear was living, for it is

CABBAGES AND
KINGS.

SEEN IN LOCAL SHOPS.

Persian And Haori Coats.

In POKHOMULL'S I found some new and very attractive Persian and Haori coats. The printed Haori coat is certainly more popular now than the plain black variety, with a coloured lining. Personally I had rather cling to the black ones until I found in POKHOMULL'S yesterday a perfectly lovely coloured coat. It is made of a very thick lustrous black *crêpe de chine*, printed with a design of peacock blue water with small autumn leaves hanging over it and drifting in the shallow. The sleeves which are very long, show the lining of mauve and blue, and the whole garment is quite extraordinarily attractive. A very pretty Persian coat which I noticed has dragons and conventional water printed in tones of pale pink and gold on a ribbed white silk ground.

Flowers For Dress and Decoration.

In the SIGN OF THE LANTERN I discovered some very charming flowers, both those to wear on your frocks, and also those sprays which add so decorative a note to any room. The lovely peach blossom sprays, made in a country which understands the principles of decoration perfectly, can always be arranged to give a lovely effect. They only cost 40 cents a spray, and can be had in various colours. Then there are geraniums with beautiful foliage giving a fragrant memory of Home if used correctly. Among the button-holes one of beige everlasting flowers, was I thought, the most unusual and useful, which is a combination not often met with. Some very lovely hip, or shoulder, flowers, roses, chrysanthemums and poppies, are made with a soft bloom on them which it is seldom possible to find in artificial flowers. A very lovely loose petal dark red rose pleased me particularly.

Donkton Ware.

In WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW'S I saw several pretty tea sets of Royal Donkton which had bright and original designs. Fuchsia flowers hang from a band of green round hexagonal plates and cups in one set, and another has an English winter landscape, purple mist, bare trees, and a low line of pale green hills, to decorate it.

Tapestry Table Covers.

In the same shop I found some nice silk tapestry table squares, and some most fascinating beach wraps of gay coloured turkish towelling.

Striped Spun Silk.

The PIONEER SILK STORES have just got a large selection of striped, spun silks for making men's shirts, but most of the patterns might equally well be used for our things. A simple tub frock of any of these designs would be smart and cool looking. The stripes are all narrow, and somewhat unobtrusive in pale colourings. I also found this week some very nice quality georgette of the heaviest weight, which comes in a wide range of colours.

A Smart Coat.

I noticed one of our visitors of last week wearing a very smart coat. It was made of thick corded tussore trimmed at the hem, cuffs, and collar with that red embroidered material which comes from India and is generally used for mantle scarves, etc. The small insets of glass entirely lost their rather tawdry look when the material was used in this fashion on a coat. It appears that this lady asked the Pioneer Silk Store to make her another similar coat, and the effect is so very smart that I have no doubt others of you will want the same store to make them for you. The idea might be carried out for a summer cloak to replace a haori coat or shawl.



THAT AWKWARD LENGTH OF RECADE "PUT TO EXCELLENT USE IN TWO MODISH WRAPS.

Broadened lapel and metal band are used for one model, with scarf collar and big fur cuffs, while embossed velvet, plain white velvet and fox are admirably allied in the second model.

he said, "that does not mean that a good Christian would become a Buddhist, but he may adopt many of the teachings."

These Buddhas have an extraordinary attraction for some people who declare that they bring them good luck; but Mr. Komor told me that he has heard of many cases, especially of ladies, where the opposite has been the case. But the Buddha brings bad luck only to houses where the mistress dislikes or fears the image, and bad luck will haunt the house until the unwelcome statuette is removed.

Superstition is a wide and curious field. Why the peacock should be unlucky in some lands and lucky in others is a mystery that only sepiets can solve. "Nothing," is unlucky," said Mr. Komor, "if you can look upon it with kindness, and everything is unlucky which you look upon with aversion." I was just admiring this very clever epigram when my old friend tumbled it about my ears by adding with his famous twinkle: "But I am the most superstitious man in the world."

A China Dragon.

A new-comer to Komor's is a delightful *fiancee dragon* of the Yung Cheng period. It is of a curious pinkish purple colour with yellow back-bone scales and claws, and stands with a ferocious air upon a base little pedestal of many lined embroidery. For all his open jaws and mock ferocity, this dragon, made for the birthday gift of a long dead mandarin, is a most attractive beast, the sort of ornament which grows to be part of one's life, and about which it is hard indeed not to grow superstitious.

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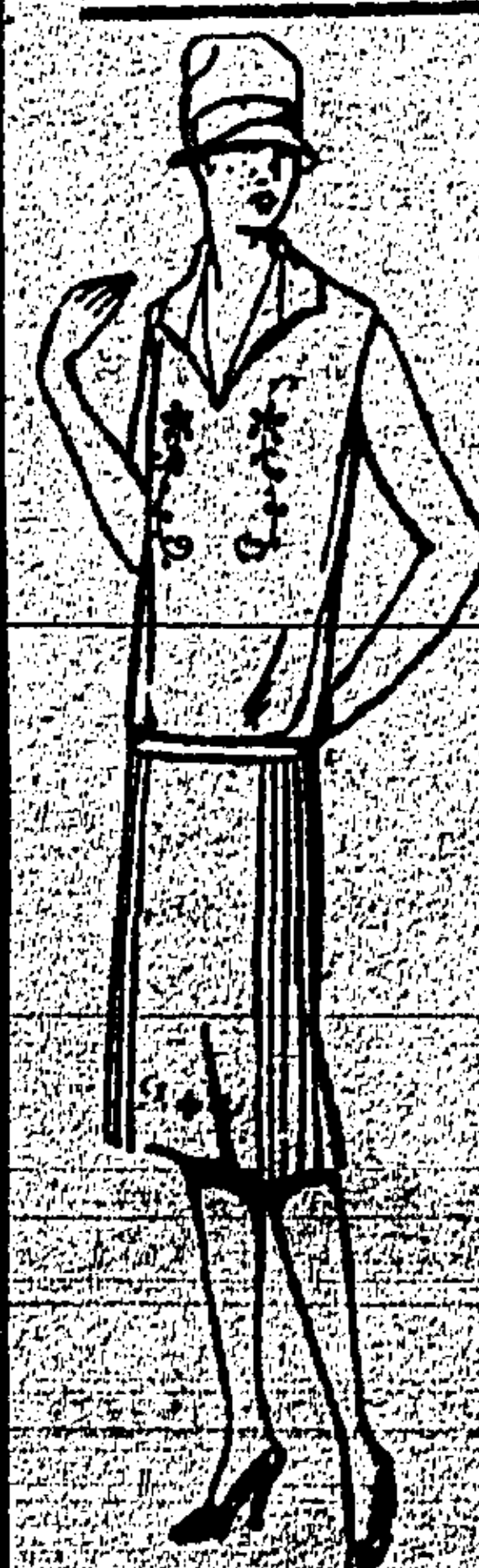
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WOMAN'S PAGE (CONT'D.)

THE PROMISE OF SPRING.

FROCKS AND COATS FOR WARMER DAYS

With the promise of warmer days in the air, Paris is sending us thin frocks. Flowery voiles and chiffons are appearing and to accompany them broad trimmed hats and thin marocain coats.

I found three very delightful chiffon frocks in Pamela's, they were of the rather elaborate order which would be suitable for evening or smart afternoon wear. Perhaps the most charming, and the simplest, has bands of flame coloured and green flowers on a white ground. A pretty arrangement of handkerchief cascades falls from behind the left shoulder to the hem, and the fullness is slightly drawn to the left hip with a glass buckle. Black lace is used in combination with flowered

chiffon for the other two models, one with a blue ground and a close pattern in tones of dark red and green, has a *cleopatra* belt of black charmeuse and inset flares of black lace in the skirt. The other is cut on the new diagonal lines, half cut on the bodice and skirt being of black lace. The chiffon is black in this case, with a very large pink and blue flower pattern, and the fullness at the hip is secured with a diamond buckle.

Marocain Coats.

I saw also three smart coats, all of them of the wrap around variety without any fastening, and very plain and *à la* in cut. The only trimming is the clever use of tucks or straps of the same material.

LAUNCHING THE NEW HATS.

SOME INTERESTING MODELS "CHEZ" SARRAULT.

The Millinery are launching straw hats, the first favourite is the *bangkok*, black for choice, but its aspect is rejuvenated by the addition of strips of black felt and, perhaps, also of a narrow felt brim. Put a matching strass ornament on this and you have the hat that you can wear forthwith at the restaurant dinners or tea dances.

An All-White Toque Again.

With this straw model there is another, the all-white toque, which has just been launched. Made entirely of white flowers, it weighs about as much as a small silk handkerchief, and is the full-dress hat of the moment. Contemplating with some pride this creation the milliner turned out a second, in which the delicate white blossoms had all brown hearts, a tonality that adapts the pretty little toque to more than one toilette.

Prolonging The Life Of Millinery.

Of the first importance in the domain of fashion, hats need to be frequently changed. Their life is necessarily short, and continual, if slight, changes are welcome. There are subtle distinctions governing the wearing of a hat, and whatever its materials it is fragile in one way



In raspberry coloured velvet, grey velour and grey coney.

or another. The sunshine and the wind affect its colour; damp easily damages its form; ribbon gets shiny. So we have good excuses—if we want them—to treat ourselves to new millinery.

Distinction Between Morning And Afternoon Styles.

For all hats, there are times as well as seasons. A sharp distinction must be drawn between the morning and the afternoon hat, while the tailor-made requires a special hat that must not be too fragile or light in style. A handsome walking suit can be ruined by an unsuitable hat, and a shabby one can be saved by a good hat that is both correct in style and fresh-looking. Every detail requires attention: a strass ornament will shine with fresh lustre if briskly brushed from time to time with soap and water, and we may be sure that our friends will notice at once, if we do not, when the brim or the binding of our hat has become the slightest bit rubbed by the fur collar.

All Parisian *modistes* agree with Euclid—or whoever it was who first realised the fact that the whole is greater than the part. The ensemble is everything, and hats are now made to match gowns and coats as a matter of course.

The days when one went in search of something that would go with one's green velours coat yet could be worn with one's beige and blue *crêpe de chine* afternoon frock are already as interesting to look back upon as those of bustle.

It is clearly understood in Paris that a black hat will not 'go' with everything, though this is a firmly established creed in England. Black hats should be kept for black toilettes or for those in which black is a decided factor.

Some New Models.

There is a little *or* coloured hat made of a raffia-like straw which is button holed all round the small brim with string. It has coloured raffia flowers worked on it. Another similar model with a more open weave, is worked all over with flowers, in coloured silks and has a turn-back brim of sage blue straw.

The combination of felt and straw is a very smart. Beige felt has a brim of leaf brown tagel, and the line of an apple green felt crown is continued in a brim of the same coloured straw. A lovely little bird, (Continued on next column.)

SUMMER FROCKS.

SOME INEXPENSIVE DRESSES AT WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW'S.

Whiteaway, Laidlaw's are showing some really very pretty little frocks, for summer, wear which they have just received from home. Plain but smart zephyr dresses are only \$4.95, while there is a nice range of embroidered linen house frocks for \$7.50. Voile dresses, which are some of them very smart, run from about \$8.50, and are made in a variety of styles.

I was pleased to find that they have a number of new patterns in Namrit voile which is, I consider, the best for washing as the colours neither run nor fade in the process. The bordered voiles are particularly good this year. Rather less flower-garden-like than the 1927 designs, they have the charm of a bordered material without being too startling. I particularly liked the design based on holly hocks. I noticed also that they had a number of nice all over designs in black and white.

"Woman."

The A.P.B. very kindly sent me a copy of "Woman" with which I was so pleased that I at once filled in the subscription form which they wisely included. "Woman" is a comprehensive little volume, and has most interesting stories besides fashion notes and pictures, and plenty of other readable matter. It is the only woman's periodical, I believe, which includes all these features and is very attractively got up.

Better Than Sweets.

Have you tried your children with "Sunmaid"? Raisins yet? They are, of course, very much better for them than sweets and my two little terrors much prefer them. Raisins, besides containing the valuable grape sugar, and the "Sunmaid" brand are dried and packed under the most hygienic conditions. You can get them in various size packets. The babies love the small 10c. ones, which, even if they gobble them all up, can not do them anything but good.

again just the same colour nestles against one side.

A novel combination of felt and straw is seen in a pastel blue model which is threaded all over both crown and brim with *bébé* ribbons of pale yellow straw. Very smart too is a little skull cap of soft black felt which has open work wheels of black tagel over each ear, and a bright enamel medallion in the front.

Another very smart black felt hat has strappings of patent leather in a wide meshed check all over it, and for trimming a solid crescent of dull gold leather which stands out from the crown.

EXCELLENT Eatables.

THE ART OF FRYING.

BY A COOKERY ENTHUSIAST.

Most women know how to fry a potato, in the accepted sense of the term, but I venture to think that few of them know how to do so in the correct manner—so well understood by the French cook.

Very few recipes give minute instructions on the frying of the various eatables. That is usually left, often erroneously, to the knowledge of the cook.

In the majority of French recipes, the term "to fry" means literally, "to boil in fat." This is not nearly such an extravagant and expensive proposition as it sounds, for the fat used for this purpose may be strained and used again and again.

One Saucepan Only.

For this method of deep frying, a new saucepan should be set aside and used for nothing else. It should be three-quarters filled with fat, and this may consist of melted suet, lard or butter, or a mixture of the first two. The best olive oil may be used also, and this should be mixed with butter for some purposes.

Meat, fritters, rissoles and potatoes may be soaked in the same fat separately, but it is better to cook fish in another vessel altogether.

Delicious Potatoes.

The potatoes are peeled and cut into fingers, and are then entirely immersed in the boiling fat, where they are cooked a golden brown.

Care must be taken that the fat really does boil before the potatoes are put into it. On the other hand, it must not be allowed to burn. For this reason the pan should be removed from the gas before the potatoes are taken out, because, left with nothing in it, fat will readily burn.

The potatoes should be drained and sprinkled with salt before being served.

Apple Fritters.

Apple fritters may also be cooked in this way. The flavour is improved if the slices of apple are soaked in rum and caster sugar before being dipped in the batter and fried.

An excellent dish, though an unusual one, is made by dipping sorrel leaves in a plain batter and trying them in deep fat. Each leaf, with stalk attached, should be dipped into the batter separately.



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THEATRICAL WEDDING AT THE SAVOY CHAPEL.

London, Feb. 6th.

Miss Emma Haig, "Jennie" in "The Girl Friend" at the Palace Theatre, and Mr. "Art" Gladstone, Fowler, the ukelele player and singer in "One Dam Thing After Another," two American artists who met for the first time in London, were married at the Savoy Chapel yesterday.

The bride, on the arm of her manager, Mr. Herbert Clayton, entered to the music of "Lohengrin." Miss Haig is petite and looked extremely dainty. She wore a gown of the palest dove-grey mousseline de sole, over pale flesh tint, with tight-fitting carriage, on which a delicate embroidery of an "empire basket" design was carried out in palest pink with jade-green seed pearls and silver thread. Her tricorn hat was of pale dove-grey felt, with a long feather falling over her shoulder.

Miss Haig was anxious not to miss a performance at the Palace, and the shortest of honeymoons has been arranged. This morning the couple will start on a one-day holiday. Mr. Fowler is an amateur flying man, possessing a Moth. He and his bride will start this morning for Le Touquet, to lunch there, and the bridegroom has promised to have his bride back in time for the show at night.

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HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, March 8th.

Extraneous	On Date	On Date
Day	at 3 p.m.	at 6 a.m.
Barometer...	29.70	29.72
Temperature...	61	63
Humidity...	100	87
Wind...	E	WSW
Force...	3	3
Weather...	OM	O
Balm...	3.26	0.10

Highest open-air Temperature, 7th: 66

Lowest open-air Temperature, 8th: 63

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From March 9th to 15th, 1928.

Day	High Water	Low Water
Time	Time	Height
Fri. 9	11 21	5 18
Sat. 10	11 29	5 11
Sun. 11	11 30	5 04
Mon. 12	11 32	4 57
Tues. 13	11 34	4 50
Wed. 14	11 36	4 43
Thur. 15	11 38	4 36

THE RUBBER MARKET

NEW YORK'S "SPECTACULAR NOSE DIVE."

EFFECT OF PROBABLE CHANGES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, March 7th. Rubber prices took a spectacular nose-dive on the rubber market today following the receipt of Reuter cables from Singapore and Colombo announcing the growth of sentiment in producing circles in favour of the abolition of restriction.

The market was swamped with selling orders. All futures were sold at the lowest levels in the history of the rubber exchange, but the market recovered from thirty to seventy points before noon on short covering and buying by strong interests.

The collapse of crude rubber has been accompanied by a weakness in prominent rubber shares which dropped from two to six points.

U.S. POOL'S HEAVY LOSSES.

The dealers estimate that the American rubber pool formed in 1923 for the purpose of stabilizing prices and assuring a sufficient supply of crude rubber has lost about \$1,800,000 on the fifty thousand tons of rubber which it is believed to have had in hand.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Colombo's Plan.

COLOMBO, March 7th. Unless the present defects of the rubber restriction scheme can be overcome and can be applied as compulsory on an equal basis in all the rubber-producing countries in the East, the Stevenson scheme should be replaced by a "really comprehensive scheme providing for the adequate control of supplies."

This was the burden of opinion at the Ceylon Estate Proprietors' Association meeting held today, the whole of the rubber industry of European ownership in Ceylon. The meeting drew up a memorandum in regard to the scheme, suggesting the imposition of a special duty of equivalent value, to be levied on all rubber exported by all countries producing plantation rubber.

The Colombo owners state that the proceeds of this special duty should be made available for the purchase of rubber in the countries of production as long as the market price is below the pivotal price, and the rubber purchased to be utilized as stock to ensure a constant and sufficient supply.

Penang's Resolution.

PENANG, March 8th. The Chamber of Commerce has passed a resolution in favour of the continuance of the present rubber restriction for at least twelve months to enable the civil research authorities to thoroughly investigate the question.

U.S. NAVAL PROGRAMME.

NAVY SECRETARY'S DEFENCE.

BRITAIN'S "INCONSISTENCY."

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, March 7th. Mr. Curtis Wilbur, the Navy Secretary, defended the Coolidge Administration's proposal for a \$40,000,000 naval programme in the course of a strong speech at Bay City, Michigan, today.

He stated that the Administration thoroughly endorsed Sir Austen Chamberlain's statement that war between Britain and the United States was already outlawed in the hearts of the people of both countries.

He expressed the opinion, however, that the British attitude was inconsistent. It was difficult to reconcile the conviction that war was outlawed with the British unwillingness to recognize America's rights to build a limited number of the type of ships she desired, or with the British willingness to risk the success of the Geneva Conference.

The Americans at Geneva had never been able to reconcile the conception of the absolute naval needs stressed by the British representatives with negotiations for a treaty fixing limitations of a basis of mutual concessions.

BRITAIN'S AIR PLANS.

INCREASE IN THE ESTIMATES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 7th. The Air Estimates for the coming year are £16,900,000 as compared with £15,500,000 last year. The Estimates include £5,000,000 for the purchase of new aircraft, the expenditure of the Air Force in Iraq, and provision is made for two more squadrons, comprising two additional ones for India, one to co-operate with the Navy, and a squadron of flying boats.

IRELAND TO-DAY IS A PEACEFUL COUNTRY.

MR. TIM HEALY INTERVIEWED.

GOOD RELATIONS WITH ULSTER AND ENGLAND.

TRIBUTE TO BRITISH STATESMANSHIP.

The success of the Free State Treaty as a whole, the tranquility and comparative prosperity which it has brought to all parts of the country, the progress which has been made towards a rapprochement with the Northern State of Ulster, and the future of Ireland itself—these were the final phases of Ireland's problems, all intimately wrapped up in his own career as her first Governor-General, with which Mr. Healy dealt in the closing chapters of my interview, writes Mr. C. J. Kelchum of the Daily Express.

DUBLIN, Feb. 8th.

Seldom before in his long career has he shown such remarkable candour towards a newspaper, though his answers, from time to time, came not without a mild protest.

"I have never been through such an inquisition in my life," he objected whimsically at one period of our conversation, while at another, when I had asked him if he wished to say anything on the subject of the working-out of the treaty during the last five years, he replied in his characteristic vein of geniality:—

"I do not wish to say anything, but if I am placed on the rack, as you are placing me, the best evidence of the change is that Ireland to-day is a peaceful country as compared with the first year when I took office."

"How do you reconcile that view with the recent murder of your nephew, Mr. Kevin O'Higgins?" I asked.

"A little group of men, not, I believe, half a hundred, brought about that murder, and such persons, generally speaking, will always conspire, unless and until the partition of Northern and Southern Ireland is done away with."

"Kevin himself, a month before he died, gave his brother the names of his probable assassins. They are well known, just as the murderers of the British soldier at Cogh (Queenstown) are well known. What is lacking is evidence that can be submitted to a court."

"But have you not, the Public Safety Act recently passed?" I suggested.

"Yes, but military tribunals to my knowledge are the most ancient and common of all: all tribunals," he said, "and for all the potter about the Public Safety Act nobody has been condemned under its clauses. A few men were at first imprisoned, but all have since been released."

I asked the Governor-General if there was any likelihood of further atrocities of this kind.

"I cannot prophesy," he replied, "but I should think that until the Ulster question has been solved persons holding official posts in what you call Southern Ireland will be in more danger than those in similar posts under the Belfast Government."

Friendly Relations.

"What are the relations to-day between the Free State and the Ulster Government?" I asked.

"For the last two years they have been extremely friendly. The Feetham Boundary Commission was such a success that had its recommendations been carried into effect no Free State Minister would have succeeded in retaining office, and in all probability, the reoccupation of Ireland by British armed forces would have come about."

"Happily the wisdom of Mr. Baldwin and his colleagues applied a remedy by burying the Feetham report in the deepest cellars of the Colonial Office and agreeing to the plan of Mr. Cosgrave and Mr. Kevin O'Higgins for leaving Ireland as an offset against the continuance of partition, the repeal of a clause in the treaty which operated in Ireland with a substantial share of the burdens of the great war."

KING OF AFGHANISTAN.

ENGLAND'S COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAMME.

WELCOME VISITOR.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, March 7th.

The programme of the visit of the King of Afghanistan to England is of a comprehensive nature without parallel in the previous visit of foreign rulers. The King will see every phase of British life, military, naval, aerial, industrial and social.

HOLLAND AND TRADE PROTECTION.

PORCELAIN DUTY INCREASE BILL REJECTED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE HAGUE, March 7th.

The Second Chamber has rejected, by 52 votes to 40, the Bill raising the import duty on porcelain and glass-ware from eight to fifteen per cent. within three months, in order to protect the pottery industry.

In reply to a further question whether Mr. Healy would comment on the present attitude of Lord Craigavon towards the Free State he said:—

"I could not make any comment on the general aspect of the Belfast Government towards the Catholics in their area, as it would not seem opportune in this far-reaching message which I have agreed to make."

Free State Flag.

Continuing, however, he related a visit which Mr. J. M. Andrews, one of the Ulster Ministers, paid to him at the Vice-regal Lodge in connection with a labour dispute of moment to both Governments.

"Mr. J. M. Andrews, who came to luncheon, is a very able man whom I had known slightly in private life. As we were chatting on the terrace of the Lodge here, he suddenly looked up in the sunshine to the Free State flag and inquired with a faint smile:—

"Would you give that up if we were prepared to join you?"

"I replied that we would join you if we gave that up."

"He burst out laughing, saying that my remark was 'very clever.'"

"There is no doubt," continued Mr. Healy, "that our general relations are very much easier than they used to be."

"Do you foresee a prospect of early unity between North and South?" I asked.

"There would have been a rapprochement in 1922 if it had not been for de Valera's rebellion, but it could not be expected that the Ulster Protestants would enter a State afflicted by the factionist and deadly outbreak then organised. What the prospects are now it is difficult to say, though at any rate, we have at long last begun to secure a measure of peace and good will."

"The late Governor-General referred then to his past relations with the King and the British Government."

"Gratitude to British Government. 'I think I have only come in contact with Mr. Baldwin once or twice, though I have met Mr. Churchill, Lord Birkenhead, and Mr. Amery, the Secretary for the Dominions, a few times. They were always cordial. On his Majesty I did not venture to intrude since my first visit. As I stated recently in the presence of President Cosgrave and his Ministers, when they entertained me on January 7th, there has not been the slightest attempt on the part of the English Cabinet or the English people to interfere with the freedom happily conferred upon this country in 1922."

"I must say speaking for myself, that I feel nothing but gratitude to the British Government for this statesmanlike reserve. 'Of the future of this country, I think I can venture to predict with confidence that it will be peaceful, and that my successor in office, Mr. James MacNeill, will have a restful and happy time. 'Of myself, may I add that I hope I have done my duty. I have given the King's Assent to some two or three hundred Bills. 'My relations with Ministers were at all times friendly. I have tried to dispense hospitality without publicity, and with neither to disparage nor to exalt the role allotted to a humble man as the King's representative."

GUARANTEED JOBS IN AUSTRALIA.

EXPLANATION BY THE HIGH COMMISSIONER.

Sir Granville Ryrie, High Commissioner for Australia, recently "cleared up" grave misunderstandings with regard to migration to Australia.

The number of assisted passages is limited, he explained, to the "number of jobs which can be guaranteed," and every month the regulations from Australia are cabled to London. "Thousands of such guarantees," he added, "are forthcoming annually, though not hundreds of thousands."

Thus, while 500 guaranteed jobs may be offered in a month, there may be 2,000 applications for assisted passages, and 1,500 men in that month might feel—cause for grievance against Australia," he said, "because they could not be granted an assisted passage."

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 27th March, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance will be effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hong Kong, 8th Mar., 1928. [5988]

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever. L. LESDOS, Agent. Hong Kong, 8th Mar., 1928. [5995]

PLEA FOR LIBERTY FROM THE STAGE.

NOVEL PRODUCTION AT OXFORD BY G.U.D.S.

A revolutionary play written by a Socialist was produced by Oxford undergraduates on February 14th. The activities of the Oxford University Dramatic Society have, for many years, been confined to Shakespeare, Greek tragedy and strictly classical plays, but a startling departure from tradition was made this year with the production of "The Fourteenth of July," by M. Romain Rolland.

The play, which deals with the French Revolution, has many unusual features. Its important parts are played, not by the leading actors of the cast, but by the crowd of "supers" (all undergraduates), who represent the Paris mob. The mob are the true heroes of the piece.

Author's Intention. The performance ends with an impassioned appeal for liberty, addressed to the audience as well as to the mob on the stage, and it is the author's intention that the audience should rise and join with the actors in calling for liberty.

This is said to be the only play by a living author which the society has presented except Thomas Hardy's "Dynasts." It was produced by M. Komisarjevsky, who directed the O.U.D.S. production of "King Lear" last year.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 14th March, 1928, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 14th March, 1928, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

All Claims must reach us before the 29th March, 1928, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter.

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 27th March, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance will be effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. 7th March, 1928. [5991]

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SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KINGYUAN"	On 13th Mar.	Noon
SHANGHAI	"NINGPO"	On 14th Mar.	7 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 15th Mar.	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SINKIANG"	On 17th Mar.	7 a.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"TEAN"	On 17th Mar.	Noon
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANHOI"	On 18th Mar.	7 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KAYING"	On 18th Mar.	Noon
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & DALNY	"KANGOW"	On 18th Mar.	Noon
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SZECHOW"	On 19th Mar.	6 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"HUPH"	On 21st Mar.	7 a.m.
WUHAN, CHONG & TIENTSIN	"KUEICHOW"	On 23rd Mar.	4 p.m.
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Capt. F. C. Norvik, from

Saigon, which port she left on

March 1st, with rice and general

cargo, lying at buoy No. C41—

Kung Ching S.S. Co.

Devaconge, Chinese str., 1,092 tons,

Capt. H. Spland, from Kishon

and Hoihow, with general cargo,

lying at buoy No. C39—Chau

Yue Teng.

Tak Hing, Chinese str., 103 tons,

Capt. Lo Sau, from Autau, with

a general cargo, lying at Luen

Chong Wharf.—Fook Hoi S.S. Co.

Toyo Maru No. 1, Japanese str.,

1,300 tons, Capt. K. Kagikawa,

from Daien and Tsingtau. The

latter port she left on March

3rd, with a general cargo, lying

at buoy No. C41.—M.B.K.

March 8th.

Calchas, British str., 6,313 tons,

Capt. F. Adcock, from Singa-

pore, which port she left on

March 3rd, with a general cargo,

lying at Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.

Carmarthenshire, British str., 4,696

tons, Capt. W. H. Baker, from

London and Singapore. The

latter port she left on March

2nd, with a general cargo, lying

at Kowloon Wharf.—Jardine,

Matheson & Co.

Equilino, Italian motor ship, 5,353

tons, Capt. Nicolich, from

Shanghai, which port she left on

March 5th, with a general cargo,

lying at buoy No. A4.—Dodwell

& Co.

Hai Ning, British str., 832 tons,

Capt. A. H. Stewart, from

Swatow, with a general cargo,

lying at Douglas Wharf.—Dou-

glas, Lapraik & Co.

Hallie, British str., 1,144 tons,

Capt. S. J. Lynch, from Saigon,

which port she left on March

3rd, with a general cargo, lying

at buoy No. C45.—Wo Fat

Shing.

Haverstein, German str., 4,594 tons,

Capt. Bahe, from Manila, which

port she left on March 5th,

with a general cargo, lying at

Kowloon Wharf.—Jensen & Co.

Hsinwah, Chinese str., 1,358 tons,

Capt. M. P. Jensen, from Can-

ton, with a general cargo, lying

at China Merchant Wharf.—

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Huichow, British str., 1,220 tons,

Capt. F. Beck, from Canton,

lying at buoy No. C24.—B. & S.

Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons,

Capt. T. H. Ball, from Swatow,

with 110 tons of general cargo,

lying at Chiu On Wharf.—Chi-

On S.S. Co.

Liangchow, British str., 1,220 tons,

Capt. W. J. Larter, from Shang-

hai and Amoy, with a general

cargo, lying at buoy No. C40—

B. & S.

Shantung, British str., 1,568 tons,

Capt. W. T. Dodge, from

Shanghai and Swatow, with a

general cargo, lying at buoy No.

B12.—B. & S.

Thalatta, Norwegian str., 5,972 tons,

Capt. D. Arnesen, from Sai-

gon, which port she left on

March 3rd, with a general cargo,

lying at buoy No. A28.—Thore-

sen & Co.

Yatshing, British str., 1,423 tons,

Capt. A. Sinclair, from Shang-

hai and Swatow, with a general

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Kwang Foh, for Shanghai.

Liangchow, for Canton.

Shantung, for Canton.

Shirata, for Amoy.

Shun Chik, for Saigon.

Tak Hing, for Macao and Autau.

Tai Poo Shek, for Kwong Chow

Wan.

Thalatta, for Singapore

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